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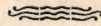
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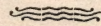
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ECLIPSES FOR THE YEAR 1896.

In the year 1896 there will be four eclipses, two of the sun and two of the moon.

The first is an annular eclipse of the sun, February 13, at 10 o'clock, 1 minute in the morning. Invisible here. Visible to Cape Colony, the South Atlantic Ocean, Patagonia and the South Polar Regions.













The second is a partial eclipse of the moon, February 28, at 2 o'clock, 8 minutes in the afternoon. Invisible here. Visible generally in Europe, Asia and Africa.

The third is a total eclipse of the sun, August 8, at 10 o'clock, 59 minutes in the evening. Invisible here. Visible to Asia, Europe, Alaska and the Pacific Ocean.

The fourth is a partial eclipse of the moon, August 22, 23. Visible here as follows: Moon enters Penumbra August 22, at 11 o'clock, 29 minutes in the evening. Moon enters shadow August 22, at 11 o'clock, 47 minutes in the evening. Middle of the eclipse August 23, at 1 o'clock, 20 minutes in the morning. Moon leaves shadow August 23, at 2 o'clock, 52 minutes in the morning. Moon leaves Penumbra August 23, at 4 o'clock, 10 minutes in the morning.

JUPITER (Υ) IS CALLED THE GOVERNING PLANET THIS YEAR.

CHARACTERS OF THE CONSTELLATIONS.

 Aries, the Ram.	 Leo, the Lion.	 Sagittarius, Bowman.
 Taurus, the Bull.	 Virgo, the Virgin.	 Capricornus, the Goat.
 Gemini, the Twins.	 Libra, the Balance.	 Aquarius, the Butler.
 Cancer, the Crab.	 Scorpio, the Scorpion.	 Pisces, the Fishes.

ASTRONOMICAL CHARACTERS EXPLAINED.

♂ Mercury, ♀ Venus, ⊕ Earth, ♂ Mars, ♃ Jupiter, ♄ Saturn, ♅ Uranus, ♆ Neptune.
 ☉ Sun, ☿ Conjunction, ✱ Sextile, ☐ Quartile, △ Trine, ♂ Opposition.

CHRONOLOGICAL CYCLES.

Dominical Letter	F. D.	Epact	15	Roman Indiction	9
Lunar Cycle	16	Solar Cycle	1	Julian Period	6609

In the Jewish Era the year 5657 begins at sunset September 7, 1896.

In the Mohammedan Era the year 1314 begins on the 12th of June, 1896.

EMBER DAYS.


February 26. May 27. September 16. December 16.

MOVEABLE FEASTS.

Septuagesima Sunday, February 2.	Ascension Day, May 14.
Quinquagesima Sunday, February 16.	Whitsuntide, May 24.
Shrove Tuesday, February 18.	Trinity Sunday, May 31.
Ash Wednesday, February 19.	Corpus Christi, June 4.
Palm Sunday, March 29.	Sundays after Trinity are 25 this year.
Good Friday, April 3.	First Sunday in Advent, November 29.
Easter Sunday, April 5.	

THE FOUR SEASONS OR CARDINAL POINTS.

Vernal Equinox ☉ enters ♈ March 19, at 8 o'clock, 30 minutes, P. M.
 Summer Solstice ☉ enters ♋ June 20, at 4 o'clock, 35 minutes, P. M.
 Autumnal Equinox ☉ enters ♏ September 22, 7 o'clock, 50 minutes, A. M.
 Winter Solstice ☉ enters ♐ December 21, at 1 o'clock, 40 minutes, A. M.

 The calculations in this Almanac are adapted to the Middle, Central and Western States and are set to solar or apparent time.

L. J. HEATWOLE, Calculator.

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1st Month.

JANUARY, 1896.

31 Days.

DAYS OF month, week, year, etc.		MOON SOUTH h. m.	MOON R. & S. h. m.	MOON SIGNS	Aspects of Planets and Miscellany.	SUN SLOW. h. m.	SUN RISES h. m.	SUN SETS. h. m.
1 Wed.	1 New Year	12 14	6 40		☉ in Perihelion	☾	4 7 23	4 37
2 Thurs.	2 Abel Seth	1 14	7 41		♄ ♃ ☽		4 7 23	4 37
3 Friday	3 Enoch	2 11	8 14		☽ in Perigee		5 7 23	4 37
4 Sat.	4 Methusal	3 4	9 12		♄ south 10:7		5 7 22	4 38
1] Sunday after New Year.		Matt. 2.		Day's length 9h. 16m.				
5 Sunday	5 Simon	3 55	10 15		♄ Gr. Hel. Lat. S.	☾	5 7 22	4 38
6 Mond'y	6 Epiphany	4 43	11 20		♃ south 11:36		6 7 21	4 39
7 Tues.	7 Isidor	5 31	morn		☾ 7. Rigel south 9:57		6 7 21	4 39
8 Wed.	8 Erhard	6 20	12 20		♂ rises 12:10		7 7 21	4 39
9 Thurs.	9 Julian	7 10	1 32		♄ ♂ ☽		7 7 20	4 40
10 Friday	10 Paul's Im.	8 4	2 37		♄ ♄ ☽		8 7 20	4 40
11 Sat.	11 Eugene	9 0	4 1		♄ ♄ ☽		8 7 19	4 41
2] 1st Sunday after Epiphany.		Luke 2.		Day's length 9h. 22m.				
12 Sunday	12 Rinehold	10 38	5 2		♄ ♄ ☽		8 7 18	4 42
13 Mond'y	13 Hiliary	11 35	6 13		♄ rises 6:4	☾	9 7 17	4 43
14 Tues.	14 Felix	12 4	☾ set		♄ 14. Arcturus rises 11:4		9 7 17	4 43
15 Wed.	15 Maurice	12 51	6 4		♄ Aldebaran s. 8:42		10 7 16	4 44
16 Thurs.	16 Marcellus	1 23	7 20		♄ ♄ ☽, Spica rises 12:10		10 7 15	4 45
17 Friday	17 Anthony	2 12	8 14		Orion rises 9:40		10 7 14	4 46
18 Sat.	18 Franklin	2 53	9 11		♂ south 7:11		11 7 13	4 47
3] 2d Sunday after Epiphany.		John 2.		Day's length 9h. 35m.				
19 Sunday	19 Sarah	3 32	10 8		☽ in Apogee	☾	11 7 12	4 48
20 Mond'y	20 Fab. Seb.	4 11	11 3		Regulus south 1:37		11 7 11	4 49
21 Tues.	21 Agnes	4 50	11 53		7 ☽ south 7:23, ☾ ent.	☾	11 7 11	4 49
22 Wed.	22 Vincent	5 32	morn		☾ 22. Sirius s. 10:20		12 7 10	4 50
23 Thurs.	23 Emerenth	6 16	12 48		♄ Spica rises 11:28		12 7 9	4 51
24 Friday	24 Timothy	7 4	1 39		♄ ☽		12 7 8	4 52
25 Sat.	25 Paul's Con	7 57	2 42		♃ south 12:11		13 7 7	4 53
4] 3d Sunday after Epiphany.		Matt. 8.		Day's length 9h. 46m.				
26 Sunday	26 Polycarp	8 54	3 45		♄ ♄ ☽, ♄ ♃ ☾		13 7 6	4 54
27 Mond'y	27 Chrysost.	9 55	4 50		♄ south 9:49	☾	13 7 5	4 55
28 Tues.	28 Charles	10 56	5 55		♄ in Perihelion		13 7 4	4 56
29 Wed.	29 Valerius	11 55	6 54		♄ ♃ ☽		13 7 3	4 57
30 Thurs.	30 Adelgunda	morn	☽ ris		☾ 30. ♄ stationary		14 7 2	4 58
31 Friday	31 Virgil	12 52	6 48		☽ in Perigee		14 7 1	4 59

Moon's Phases.

Last Quarter, 7th, 9 o'clock, morning.

New Moon, 14th, 4 o'clock, evening.

First Quarter, 22d, 9 o'clock, evening.

Full Moon, 30th, at 3 o'clock, morning.

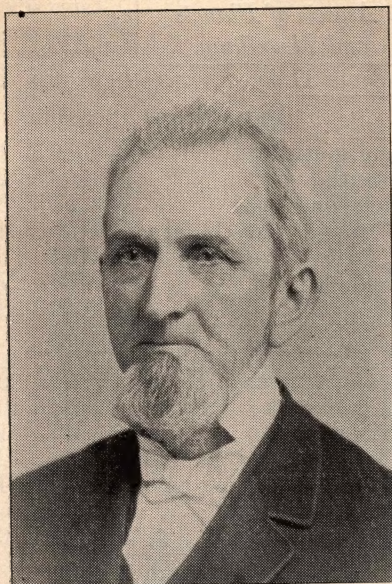
Jupiter (♃) is in opposition with the sun on the 26th, and shines all night.

Conjectures of the Weather.

The 1st, rain; 2d, milder; 3d, clouds; 4th, rain or snow; 5th, damp, foggy; 6th, disagreeable; 7th, gloomy; 8th, change; 9th, snow; 10th, warmer; 11th, fair; 12th, colder; 13th, snow; 14th, blustery, cold; 15th, milder; 16th, disagreeable; 17th, cold; 18th, clearing; 19th, squally, rough; 20th, stormy; 21st, high winds; 22d, cloudy, windy; 23d, snow, flurries; 24th, moderating; 25th, snow; 26th, unpleasant; 27th, cloudy; 28th, cold day; 29th, rain, sleet, snow; 30th, colder; 31st, mild, windy.

Fidelity in trifles and an earnest seeking to please God in little matters is a test of real devotion and love. Let your aim be to please our dear Lord perfectly in little things and to attain a spirit of child-like simplicity and dependence.

Get the habit—a glorious one—of referring all to Christ. How did he feel, think, act? So then must I feel, and think, and act. Should I please myself? "For even Christ pleased not himself."



Rev. A. S. Leinbach, D. D.

THIS well-known minister of the Reformed Church is a son of the late Rev. Thomas H. Leinbach and his wife Elizabeth (*nee* Seibert), and was born July 20, 1825, in Spring township, near Reading, Pa., in the house now occupied by Benneville Krick. He is one of a family of thirteen children, eight of whom are living. Two of his brothers are also ministers—Thomas C. Leinbach, of Womelsdorf, and Samuel A. Leinbach, of Reading.

Before he was a year old, his father moved to the parsonage of the Tulpehocken Church, of which he was the pastor, located in Jackson township, Lebanon county. It was here that Dr. Leinbach spent his earlier years. He attended the common schools in the neighborhood and afterwards entered the academy at Womelsdorf, and then the academy at Myerstown. From here he entered Marshall College at Mercersburg in 1842, and graduated in the fall of 1846. He then prosecuted his theological studies in the seminary at the same place until 1848, and was licensed to preach on May 16 of the same year. He was ordained by Lebanon Classis of the Reformed Church and installed as

pastor of the Palmyra charge in Lebanon county, which he served for the short period of five months, when he was called to the pastorate of the First Reformed Church of Reading. He entered upon his duties September 8, 1848, and successfully served the congregation for fourteen and one-half years, until 1863. During a period of the time he was pastor of the First Church, he preached at stated intervals in the Schwarzwald Church and became the regular pastor of that well-known congregation in 1855, serving them faithfully and continuously up to July, 1895, during the period of forty years.

Since 1863 Dr. Leinbach served a large country charge, consisting at various times of from five to seven congregations. For a number of years his charge consisted of the five congregations—Schwarzwald, Spiess, Alsace, Hinnershitz and Shalter's. Last July he resigned his charge on account of failing health, and held farewell services in each of the five congregations. The last of these was held in Schwarzwald Church, August 18, 1895.

From the time of his ordination to August 18, 1895, Dr. Leinbach baptized 7729 persons, confirmed 3437, buried 4289, and married 2829 couples.

A number of years ago the title of D. D. was conferred upon him by Franklin and Marshall College.

New Year's Petitions.

What shall I ask for the coming year,
What shall my watchword be?
What would'st thou do for me, dear Lord,
What can I do for thee?

Lord, I would ask for a holy year,
Spent in thy perfect will;
Help me to walk in thy very steps,
Help me to please thee still.

Lord, I would ask for a heavenly year,
Humble and yet so high;
Help me to sink at thy blessed feet,
And yet on thy bosom lie.

Lord, I would ask for a trustful year,
Give me thy faith divine,
Taking my full inheritance,
Making thy fullness mine.

Lord, I would ask for a year of love,
Oh, let me love thee best;
Give me the love that faileth not
Beneath the hardest test.

Lord, I would ask for a busy year,
Filled up with service true,
Doing with all thy Spirit's might,
Whate'er I find to do.

2d Month.

FEBRUARY, 1896.

29 Days.

DAYS OF month, week, year, etc.		MOON SOUTH h. m.	MOON R. & S. h. m.	MOON SIGNS.	Aspects of Planets and Miscellany.	SUN SLOW. h. m.	SUN RISES h. m.	SUN SETS h. m.
1 Sat.	32|Bridget	1 45	7 50		♄ south 11:35	♌	14 7 0	5 0
5] Septuagesima Sunday.		Matt. 20.		Day's length 10h. 00m.				
2 Sunday	33|Candle M.	2 36	8 58		Algol south 5:54		14 6 59	5 1
3 Mond'y	34|Blasius	3 26	10 1		♂ south 9:44		14 6 58	5 2
4 Tues.	35|Veronica	4 16	11 4		Orion south 8:34		14 6 57	5 3
5 Wed.	36|Agatha	5 7	morn		♂ 5. ♀ rises 11:50		14 6 56	5 4
6 Thurs.	37|Dorothea	6 20	12 6		♂ ♀ ♄, ♀ ♄		14 6 54	5 6
7 Friday	38|Richard	7 36	1 11		♂ ♀ ☉		14 6 53	5 7
8 Sat.	39|Solomon	8 53	2 15		♂ ♀ ☉		14 6 52	5 8
6] Sexagesima Sunday.		Luke 8.		Day's length 10h. 16m.				
9 Sunday	40|Apolonia	9 49	3 19		♂ ♀ ♄, ♀ rises 3:10	♌	14 6 51	5 9
10 Mond'y	41|Scholast.	10 44	4 23		♂ ♄ ♄, ♀ ♄		15 6 50	5 10
11 Tues.	42|Euphrosin	11 36	5 30		♀ rises 5:20		15 6 49	5 11
12 Wed.	43|Gilbert	12 10	6 28		♂ ♄		15 6 48	5 12
13 Thurs.	44|Jordan	12 44	♄ set		♄ 13. ☉ eclip., inv.		14 6 46	5 14
14 Friday	45|Valentine	1 8	6 31		♂ ♄ south 5:34		14 6 45	5 15
15 Sat.	46|Faustinus	1 50	7 27		Canopus south 8:37	♌	14 6 44	5 16
7] Quinquagesima Sunday.		Luke 18.		Day's length 10h. 32m.				
16 Sunday	47|Julianus	2 8	8 12		♄ in Apogee		14 6 43	5 17
17 Mond'y	48|Constantia	2 47	9 10		Andromeda sets 9:54		14 6 41	5 19
18 Tues.	49|Shrove Tu.	3 28	10 4		Regulus south 11:54		14 6 40	5 20
19 Wed.	50|Ash Wed.	4 11	10 53		Capella s. 6:50 ☉ ent.	♌	14 6 39	5 21
20 Thurs.	51|Eucharis	4 56	11 49		♀ stationary		14 6 38	5 22
21 Friday	52|Eleonora	5 46	morn		♄ 21. Pollux s. 9:28		14 6 36	5 24
22 Sat.	53|Washingt.	6 40	12 14		♄ Spica rises 9:29		14 6 35	5 25
8] 1st Sunday in Lent.		Matt. 4.		Day's length 10h. 50m.				
23 Sunday	54|Serenus	7 37	1 22		♄ south 9:30	♌	14 6 34	5 26
24 Mond'y	55|Matthew	8 36	2 26		♄ stationary		14 6 32	5 28
25 Tues.	56|Victor	9 36	3 38		♄ ♄ ♄, ♄ sets 3:24		13 6 31	5 29
26 Wed.	57|Emberday	10 33	4 32		♂ stationary, ♀ in ♌		13 6 30	5 30
27 Thurs.	58|Leander	11 28	5 42		♄ south 9:41		13 6 29	5 31
28 Friday	59|Macarius	morn	♄ ris		♄ 28. ♄ eclip., inv.		13 6 27	5 33
29 Sat.	60|Leap Day	12 21	6 40		♄ in Perigee	♌	13 6 26	5 34

Moon's Phases.

Last Quarter, 5th, 7 o'clock, evening.

New Moon, 13th, 10 o'clock, morning.

First Quarter, 21st, 3 o'clock, evening.

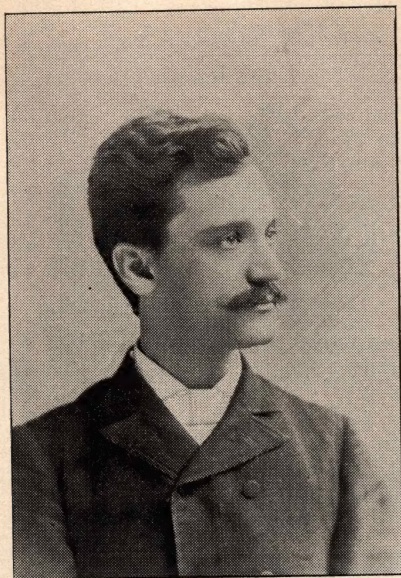
Full Moon, 28th, at 2 o'clock, evening.

Conjectures of the Weather.

The 1st, frosty; 2d, clouds; 3d, dark, cloudy, snow; 4th, damp, gloomy, rainy; 5th, moderating; 6th, clouds, rain; 7th, colder; 8th, rain or snow; 9th, clearing; 10th, change; 11th, frosty; 12th, dull, cloudy; 13th, dark, dull, cloudy; 14th, rough day; 15th, milder; 16th, fine; 17th, mild, quiet; 18th, snow, cold; 19th, clear; 20th, pleasant; 21st, fine; 22d, clear; 23d, genial, pleasant; 24th, variable; 25th, clouds; 26th, cloudy; 27th, warmer; 28th, cloudy, cold; 29th, change.

The out-and-out Christian is a joyful Christian. The half-and-half Christian is the kind of Christian that a great many of you are—little acquainted with the joy of the Lord. Why should we live half way up the hill, and swathed in mists, when we might have an unclouded sky and a visible sun over our heads, if we would climb higher and walk in the light of his face?

Precept freezes, while example warms. Precept addresses us, example lays hold on us. Precept is a marble statue, example glows with life—a thing of flesh and blood.



Rev. Stanley L. Krebs, A. M.

BORN at Waynesboro, Pa., February 14, 1864; graduated at Franklin and Marshall College 1886; taught the languages and natural sciences at St. Luke's Academy at Philadelphia, and same branches at Blackwood's Young Ladies' Select School, Lancaster, Pa. He completed his theological course at the Eastern Seminary in 1890, and has since been pastor of St. Andrews Congregation at Reading, Pa., where his labors have been attended with abundant success. After six weeks preaching and house to house canvass, he organized a nucleus which has in four years grown to a congregation of over 400, with a Sunday-school of over 600 members. Last year for the benefit of his health, which was broken down by overwork, he took a winter trip to summer lands, Algeria, Africa, Italy and France. His health is completely restored. He has been interested in educational matters; taught Old Testament Hebrew at the Pennsylvania Chautauqua, and has recently published a work on the social and economic problems of the day entitled "Poverty's Factory" which has already enjoyed an extensive circulation. He is known in the church for his musical ability on the violin, pipe organ and voice. He was

the founder and first leader of the F. and M. Glee Club, Guitar and Mandolin Club, &c. For fourteen years prior to entering the ministry he was organist in various churches, Reformed, Presbyterian, Lutheran and Episcopalian, and endorses the project of compiling a Reformed Sunday-school Hymnal.

February.

February—fortnights two—
Briefest of the months are you,
Of the winter's children last.
Why do you go by so fast?
Is it not a little strange
Once in four years you should change?
That the sun should shine and give
You another day to live?
Maybe this is only done
Since you are the smallest one;
You're the baby of the year,
And to me you're very dear,
Just because you bring the line,
"Will you be my valentine?"

—Frank Dempster Sherman.

George Washington.

"This greatest of good men, and best of great men," was born in Westmoreland County, Virginia, February 22, 1732. The day of his birth is now a national holiday. A full length statue by Houdon, in Richmond, is accepted as the standard likeness of Washington. He had profound convictions of religious truth, firm faith in an over ruling providence, reverence for the Holy Scriptures, and respect for the church of Christ, of which he was a member.

It was but natural that he should be the choice of all classes for the first president. Had he been ambitious like Napoleon he might have been made dictator for life. "As a leader of a republic in a time which 'tried men's souls,' no one ever exceeded him in judgment or patriotism." He was president eight years, then retired to private life at his beautiful country seat at Mount Vernon, on the Potomac, where he died December 14, 1799, mourned by a whole nation.

I like to study a book of the Bible at a time. If my wife should send me a letter of eight pages and I should read one page a day, I would forget what she is saying.—D. L. Moody.

3d Month.

MARCH, 1896.

31 Days.

DAYS OF month, week, year, etc.			MOON SOUTH h. m.	MOON R. & S. h. m.	MOON SIGNS.	Aspects of Planets and Miscellany.	SUN SLOW. h. m.	SUN RISES. h. m.	SUN SETS. h. m.
9] 2d Sunday in Lent.			Matt. 15.			Day's length 11h. 08m.			
1 Sunday	61	David	1 13	7 39		Sirius sets 9:10	12 6	25 5	35
2 Mond'y	62	Simplicius	2 5	8 41		♄ in ♈	12 6	23 5	37
3 Tues.	63	Samuel	2 57	9 40		7☉ sets 8:24	12 6	22 5	38
4 Wed.	64	Adrian	3 52	10 32		♂ ♀ ♄, ♂ ♄ ♄	12 6	20 5	40
5 Thurs.	65	Frederick	4 49	11 26		☐ ♄ ☉	12 6	18 5	42
6 Friday	66	Fridolin	5 47	morn		☾ 6. Spica rises 8:44	11 6	17 5	43
7 Sat.	67	Perpetua	6 44	12 18		♄ south 9:3	11 6	16 5	44
10] 3d Sunday in Lent.			Luke 11.			Day's length 11h. 28m.			
8 Sunday	68	Prudence	7 40	1 6		Orion rises 9:10	11 6	14 5	40
9 Mond'y	69	Philemon	8 33	1 52		♄ rises 2:4	11 6	13 5	47
10 Tues.	70	Appollonia	9 22	2 48		♂ ♄ ♄	10 6	12 5	48
11 Wed.	71	Ernestus	10 7	3 30		♂ ♀ ♄, ♂ ♄ ♄	10 6	10 5	50
12 Thurs.	72	Gregory	10 49	4 32		♄ in Aphelion	10 6	9 5	51
13 Friday	73	Macedon	11 29	5 33		♀ rises 3:40	10 6	7 5	53
14 Sat.	74	Zachariah	12 8	♄ set		14. ♄ in Apogee ☉	9 6	6 5	54
11] 4th Sunday in Lent.			John 6.			Day's length 11h. 22m.			
15 Sunday	75	Christoph	12 47	7 19		♄ south 9:13	9 6	5 6	55
16 Mond'y	76	Cyprianus	1 27	8 30		Procyon sets 10:19	9 6	3 5	57
17 Tues.	77	St. Patrick	2 9	9 34		Castor south 7:49	8 6	2 5	58
18 Wed.	78	Anselmus	3 41	10 29		Librae south 10:58	8 6	1 6	59
19 Thurs.	79	St. Joseph	4 32	11 22		☉ ent ♄ Spr. beg., D & N. equal	8 6	0 6	0
20 Friday	80	Matrona	5 27	morn		Rigel rises 10:44	7 5	59 6	1
21 Sat.	81	Benedictus	6 24	12 15		♂ ♄ ♄	7 5	58 6	2
12] 5th Sunday in Lent.			John 8.			Day's length 12h. 04m.			
22 Sunday	82	Paulina	7 21	1 22		22. Regulus s. 9:53	7 5	57 6	3
23 Mond'y	83	Eberhard	8 17	2 19		♄ sets 3:12	7 5	56 6	4
24 Tues.	84	Gabriel	9 12	3 10		♂ ♄ ♄, ♄ stationary	6 5	54 6	6
25 Wed.	85	Ann. V. M.	10 5	3 50		Sirius south 6:25	6 5	53 6	7
26 Thurs.	86	Emmanuel	10 57	4 19		7☉ sets 10:52	6 5	52 6	8
27 Friday	87	Gustavus	11 38	4 46		Orion sets 11:30	5 5	50 6	10
28 Sat.	88	Gideon	11 58	5 15		♄ in Perigee	5 5	49 6	11
13] Palm Sunday.			Matt. 21.			Day's length 12h. 22m.			
29 Sunday	89	Eustasius	morn	♄ ris		29. ♄ south 7:35	5 5	48 6	12
30 Mond'y	90	Guido	12 41	7 48		♄ rises 7:50	4 5	47 6	13
31 Tues.	91	Detlaus	1 37	8 49		♂ ♄ ♄	4 5	45 6	15

Moon's Phases.

First Quarter, 6th, 5 o'clock, morning.
 New Moon, 14th, at 5 o'clock, morning.
 Last Quarter, 22d, 5 o'clock, morning.
 Full Moon, 28th, 11 o'clock, morning.

Conjectures of the Weather.

The 1st, threatening; 2d, variable; 3d, warmer; 4th, thunder; 5th, colder; 6th, bright day; 7th, fair; 8th, clouds; 9th, rain or snow; 10th, rainy, slushy; 11th, dark, dull, rainy; 12th, rough, stormy; 13th, windy; 14th, damp, cloudy; 15th, changeable; 16th, unsettled; 17th, blustery; 18th, moderate; 19th, change; 20th, wind; 21st, rough day; 22d, cloudy; 23d, squally; 24th, snow storms; 25th, colder; 26th, cloudy day; 27th, rain; 28th, thunder; 29th, blustery; 30th, clearing; 31st, frosty, cold.

"Take your needle, my child, and work at your pattern; it will come out a rose by and by."
 Life is like that—one stitch at a time taken patiently, and the pattern will come out all right like the embroidery.



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REV. STANLEY L. KREBS, PASTOR.

The Reformed Church Literature.

THE Reformed Church prides itself not only in its institutions of learning but also in its literature. The Reformed Church has a literature which, though not as extensive as it might be, is nevertheless worthy of commendation. Its books are numerous and able, some of them occupying places beside the works of the best American church writers. These books are all varied in character and matter, covering nearly all phases of thought. They are not only devoted to religion, morals, and theology, but to science, philosophy, poetry and other subjects of interest. The authors have given evidence of the broadest culture, ripest thought, and undoubted originality. Not only along the line of books but through the agency of the magazines, church papers and Sunday-school literature is revealed a wealth of literary brilliancy that compares favorably with other churches. Through all these agencies the Reformed Church is proving itself a mighty factor in making the world better, religiously, intellectually, morally and spiritually. These forces of literature should be in-

creased by a wider circulation in the homes of our church, for where there is a lack of interest the church in general suffers. Every home should take a pride in having in it a full and complete library and among these books and periodicals should be those of our own church.

The Reformed Church and Temperance.

The Reformed Church has repeatedly given deliverances upon the evils of intemperance, and has thus proven itself the defender of the principles of temperance. The ministry is very outspoken in denouncing the evil which curses so many homes, and occasions so much suffering in the world. The laity are more and more awake to the fact that our homes, the country and the church must have the protection of the temperance people, and hence quite a sentiment now prevails by which this cause shall be more strongly supported. The Reformed Church practices, preaches and encourages the work of temperance.

"We are builders, and each one
Should cut and carve as best he can,
Every life is but a stone;
Every one shall hew his own;
Make or mar, shall every man."

—Bishop Doane.

The catechetical work pays because it results in an intelligent apprehension of faith and duty.

Beecher once said: "The memory of my sainted mother is the brightest recollection of my early years."

Lamartine had an exceptionally clever mother, and several times in his writings mentions her with admiration.

Van Dyke's mother was quite an art critic, with a very correct appreciation of excellence in drawing and painting.

The elder Pitt had an idea that his bias towards statesmanship was given him by his mother's love of political affairs.

The mother of Peter, the Great was a woman of intrepid courage and great personal strength, both of body and mind.

Kant's mother was a woman of unusual strength of mind. He believed that he inherited from her his state for metaphysical studies.

4th Month.

APRIL, 1896.

30 Days.

DAYS OF month, week, year, etc.		MOON SOUTH h. m.	MOON R. & S. h. m.	MOON SIGNS	Aspects of Planets and Miscellany.	SUN SLOW h. m.	SUN RISES. h. m.	SUN SETS. h. m.
1 Wed.	92 Theodore	2 34	9 46		♂ ♃ ☽	☾	4 5 44	6 16
2 Thurs.	93 Maundy T	3 34	10 40		♂ Gr. Hel. Lat. s.	☾	4 5 43	6 17
3 Friday	94 Good Frid	4 34	11 32		7 ☽ sets 7:20	☾	3 5 41	6 19
4 Sat.	95 Ambrose	5 33	morn		4. ♄ south 2:9	☾	3 5 40	6 20
14] Easter Sunday.		Mark 16.		Day's length 12h. 40m.				
5 Sunday	96 Easter Sun.	6 28	12 30		Sirius sets 10:40	☾	3 5 39	6 21
6 Mond'y	97 Easter M.	7 19	1 32		Regulus south 8:59	☾	2 5 37	6 23
7 Tues.	98 Aaron	8 5	2 22		♂ ♄ ☽	☾	2 5 36	6 24
8 Wed.	99 Dyonisius	8 48	2 49		♂ rises 2:26	☾	2 5 35	6 25
9 Thurs.	100 Prochorus	9 29	3 18		Orion sets 11:4	☾	1 5 33	6 27
10 Friday	101 Daniel	10 36	3 48		☽ in Apogee, ♂ ♀ ☽	☾	1 5 32	6 28
11 Sat.	102 Julius	11 26	4 44		♀ rises 3:32	☾	1 5 31	6 29
15] 1st Sunday after Easter.		John 20.		Day's length 12h. 58m.				
12 Sunday	103 Eustatius	12 8	☾ set		12. ♂ ♄ ☽	☾	1 5 29	6 31
13 Mond'y	104 Justinus	12 51	8 1		Vega south 1:12	☾	1 5 28	6 32
14 Tues.	105 Tiburtius	1 15	8 37		Spica rises 8:15	☾	0 5 27	6 33
15 Wed.	106 Olympia	1 58	9 4		♄ south 6:31	☾	0 5 26	6 34
16 Thurs.	107 Calixtus	2 28	10 19		7 ☽ sets 9:34	☾	59 5 25	6 35
17 Friday	108 Rudolph	3 22	11 30		♂ ♄ ☽	☾	59 5 24	6 36
18 Sat.	109 Aeneas	4 17	morn		♂ ♄ ☽	☾	59 5 22	6 38
16] 2d Sunday after Easter.		John 10.		Day's length 13h. 16m.				
19 Sunday	110 Anicetus	5 14	12 31		☽ ♄ ☽	☾	59 5 21	6 39
20 Mond'y	111 Sulpicius	6 9	1 23		20. ♂ ♄ ☽	☾	59 5 19	6 41
21 Tues.	112 Adularius	7 2	2 1		♄ in ♋, ☽ enters ♋	☾	59 5 18	6 42
22 Wed.	113 Cajus	7 53	2 34		Arcturus south 12:9	☾	58 5 17	6 43
23 Thurs.	114 St. George	8 44	3 2		Aldebaran sets 9:18	☾	58 5 16	6 44
24 Friday	115 Albert	9 34	3 29		♀ Gr. Hel. Lat. s.	☾	58 5 15	6 45
25 Sat.	116 Mark Ev.	10 25	4 4		♄ in Perihelion	☾	58 5 14	6 46
17] 3d Sunday after Easter.		John 16.		Day's length 13h. 32m.				
26 Sunday	117 Cletus	11 19	4 20		☽ in Perigee	☾	58 5 13	6 47
27 Mond'y	118 Anastasius	morn	☽ ris		27. Alphacca sets 1:9	☾	57 5 12	6 48
28 Tues.	119 Vitalis	12 15	7 49		♂ ♄ ☽, ♂ ♄ ☽	☾	57 5 10	6 50
29 Wed.	120 Sybilla	1 15	8 48		♄ sets 1:42	☾	57 5 9	6 51
30 Thurs.	121 Eutropius	2 17	9 46		♄ south 8:26	☾	57 5 8	6 52

Moon's Phases.

Last Quarter, 4th, 6 o'clock, evening.

New Moon, 12th, 10 o'clock, evening.

First Quarter, 20th, 5 o'clock, evening.

Full Moon, 27th, at 8 o'clock, morning.

Conjectures of the Weather.

The 1st, cooler; 2d, fine day; 3d, high winds; 4th, unsettled; 5th, warmer; 6th, thunder; 7th, high winds; 8th, showery; 9th, frosty; 10th, showers; 11th, clearing; 12th, clouds; 13th, bright day; 14th, warm; 15th, warm day; 16th, strong wind; 17th, clear; 18th, threatening; 19th, pleasant; 20th, cloudy, rain; 21st, clouds; 22d, cloudy, threatening; 23d, dark, dull; 24th, variable; 25th, rainy day; 26th, thunder; 27th, very warm; 28th unsettled; 29th, showery, cool; 30th, clouds, rain.

What we wish to do for our fellow creatures we must do first for ourselves. We can give them nothing save what God has already given us. We must become good before we can make them good, and wise before we can make them wise.

Christian faith is a grand cathedral with dimly pictured windows. Standing without, you see no glory, nor can possibly imagine any; standing within, every ray of light reveals a harmony of unspeakable splendors.



Rev. J. B. Rust.

BORN September 5, 1856, in Cincinnati, Ohio. He is the oldest son of Rev. H. Rust, D. D., Professor of Historical Theology in Heidelberg University, Tiffin, Ohio. He attended the public schools in Tiffin, and took the classical course in Heidelberg College. He was graduated in the college in June, 1877, and in the Theological Seminary in 1879. In 1877, having taken the honors in a class of six contestants at the home oratorical contest, he represented Heidelberg at the inter-collegiate oratorical contest, held a few weeks later, in Oberlin, Ohio. In December, 1879, he became pastor of the Waynesburg Charge, Stark County, Ohio, where he labored successfully for six years. He was ordained in April, 1880. In the winter of 1886, in response to an urgent call from Jerusalem's German Reformed Church, Canton, Ohio, he became pastor of the large congregation which had been gathered, and faithfully served for fifty-three years, by Rev. P. Herbruck, D. D. The subject of this sketch, therefore, was the third pastor in the history of that congregation.

In November, 1890, as the successor of Rev. O. J. Accola, D. D., he was called to the pastor-

ate of the First Reformed Church, New Philadelphia, Ohio, where he at present lives and labors. During his service in the Waynesburg Charge, two churches were remodelled and rededicated. Whilst preaching in Canton, the church there was also remodelled at a cost of \$3,000, and rededicated. During the present pastorate, his congregation, at an aggregate cost of \$19,000, built a new house of worship, the most attractive and comfortable church edifice in Tuscarawas County.

Mr. Rust is one of the bi-lingual ministers of the Reformed Church, having preached both in English and German ever since he entered the ministry. In 1881 he received the degree of A. M. in course from his Alma Mater, and is the only graduate of Heidelberg University who has the honor of having delivered both the Alumni and the Literary Address at that institution. He has frequently written for the church papers, for the *Reformed Quarterly Review*, and other periodicals.

Mothers of Great Men.

Machiavelli's mother gave him his first lessons in deceit, lessons that afterward bore fruit in the doctrines taught in "The Prince."

The mother of Alexander the Great was said to have been a woman of great natural abilities, strong willed and singularly impulsive.

The mother of Michael Angelo was, in her way, as heroic a character as her son. He once said: "Whatever a man is, he generally owes to his mother."

The mother of Julius Caesar dedicated her son to Mars as soon as he was born. She was a woman of stern resolution and indomitable energy and perseverance.

Napoleon's mother was as much of a soldier as her great son. Speaking of the influence of the mother on the character of the child, he said: "The future destiny of the child is always the work of the mother."

God has other words for other worlds, but for this world the word of God is Christ.

When thou prayest, rather let thy heart be without words than thy words without heart.

5th Month.

MAY, 1896.

31 Days.

DAYS OF month, week, year, etc.			MOON SOUTH h. m.		MOON R. & S. h. m.		MOON SIGNS.	Aspects of Planets and Miscellany.	SUN FAST.	SUN RISES. h. m.	SUN SETS. h. m.
1 Friday	122	Phil. & Jas.	3 19	10 41			♋	♄ south 5:34	☾	57 5	7 6 53
2 Sat.	123	Sigismund	4 17	11 32			♋	Sirius sets 9:6	☾	57 5	6 6 54
18] 4th Sunday after Easter.							John 16.	Day's length		13h. 48m.	
3 Sunday	124	In. of Cross	5 11	morn			♋	☾ sets 8:24		57 5	5 6 55
4 Mond'y	125	Florianus	6 0	12 10			♋	♄ 4. Spica sets 10:34		57 5	4 6 56
5 Tues.	126	Godard	6 45	12 46			♋	♂ ♀ ☾		56 5	3 6 57
6 Wed.	127	Aggeus	7 27	1 15			♋	♂ Gr. Hel. Lat. N.		56 5	2 6 58
7 Thurs.	128	Domicilla	8 7	2 6			♋	♂ ☾ ☾	♂	56 5	1 6 59
8 Friday	129	Stanislaus	8 46	2 28			♋	☾ in Apogee		56 5	0 7 0
9 Sat.	130	Job	9 25	3 6			♋	♂ rises 2:14		56 4	59 7 1
19] 5th Sunday after Easter.							John 16.	Day's length		14h. 02m.	
10 Sunday	131	Gordianus	10 40	3 28			♋	♀ rises 3:23		56 4	58 7 2
11 Mond'y	132	Mamertus	11 35	3 50			♋	♂ ♀ ☾		56 4	57 7 3
12 Tues.	133	Pancratius	12 24	☾ set			♋	♂ 12. ♀ ☾ ☾		56 4	56 7 4
13 Wed.	134	Servatius	12 48	9 24			♋	♂ Arcturus s. 10:48		56 4	55 7 5
14 Thurs.	135	Ascension	1 27	10 29			♋	♂ ♀ ☾, ♂ ♀ ☾		56 4	54 7 6
15 Friday	136	Sophia	2 13	10 58			♋	♂ ♀ ☾	☾	56 4	53 7 7
16 Sat.	137	Perigrinus	3 9	11 22			♋	♂ Gr. Elong. E.		56 4	52 7 8
20] 6th Sunday after Easter.							John 15.	Day's length		14h. 16m.	
17 Sunday	138	Jodocus	4 5	morn			♋	♄ sets 12:2		56 4	51 7 9
18 Mond'y	139	Liborius	4 58	12 0			♋	♂ ♀ ☾		56 4	50 7 10
19 Tues.	140	Potentia	5 49	12 36			♋	♂ Gr. Hel. Lat. S.		56 4	49 7 11
20 Wed.	141	Torpetus	6 38	1 9			♋	♂ 20. Antares ris. 8:8		56 4	48 7 12
21 Thurs.	142	Prudence	7 26	1 38			♋	Rigel sets 9:41	☾	56 4	48 7 12
22 Friday	143	Helena	8 25	2 6			♋	Orion sets 10:12 ☾ ent		56 4	47 7 13
23 Sat.	144	Desiderius	9 26	2 36			♋	♂ south 10:43		56 4	46 7 14
21] Whitsuntide.							John 4.	Day's length		14h. 28m.	
24 Sunday	145	Whit Sun.	10 57	3 0			♋	☾ in Perigee		57 4	45 7 15
25 Mond'y	146	Whit Mon.	11 38	3 26			♋	♂ ♀ ☾, ♂ ♀ ☾		57 4	45 7 15
26 Tues.	147	Edward	morn	☾ ris			♋	♂ 26. ♀ sets 2:32		57 4	44 7 16
27 Wed.	148	Emberday	12 51	8 32			♋	Regulus sets 12:27		57 4	43 7 17
28 Thurs.	149	William	1 0	9 13			♋	Spica south 9:8		57 4	43 7 17
29 Friday	150	Maximilus	2 2	9 54			♋	♂ stationary		57 4	42 7 18
30 Sat.	151	Wigand	2 59	10 18			♋	Sirius sets 9:14		57 4	41 7 19
22] Trinity Sunday.							John 3.	Day's length		14h. 38m.	
31 Sunday	152	Manilus	3 51	10 45			♋	♂ south 7:51	☾	57 4	41 7 19

Moon's Phases.

Last Quarter, 4th, 9 o'clock, morning.

New Moon, 12th, at 2 o'clock, evening.

First Quarter, 20th, 12 o'clock, morning.

Full Moon, 26th, at 4 o'clock, evening.

Conjectures of the Weather.

The 1st, cool; 2d, clear; 3d, warm day; 4th, sultry; 5th, clear, brilliant; 6th, murky; 7th, clouds; 8th, thunder shower; 9th, warm; 10th, change; 11th, cloudy, rain; 12th, thunder storm, hail; 13th, change; 14th, cloudy; 15th, thunder shower; 16th, changeable; 17th, very warm; 18th, damp, rainy; 19th, clouds; 20th, unsettled; 21st, change; 22d, showery; 23d, change; 24th, damp; 25th, thunder shower; 26th, cooler; 27th, showery; 28th, thunder storm; 29th, cloudy; 30th, hot day; 31st, unsettled.

Saturn (♄) is in opposition with the sun on the 5th, and shines all night.

It is not work that kills men, it is worry. Work is healthy; you can hardly put more upon a man than he can bear. Worry is rust upon the blade. It is not the revolution that destroys the machinery, but the friction.



FIRST REFORMED CHURCH, NEW PHILADELPHIA, OHIO.
REV. J. B. RUST, PASTOR.

6th Month.

JUNE, 1896.

30 Days.

DAYS OF month, week, year, etc.			MOON SOUTH h. m.	MOON R. & S. h. m.	MOON SIGNS	Aspects of Planets and Miscellany.	SUN FAST.	SUN RISES. h. m.	SUN SETS. h. m.
1 Mond'y	153	Nicodemus	4 39	11 12		Arcturus south 9:33 ☾	58	4 40	7 20
2 Tues.	154	Marcellus	5 23	11 35		Spica south 8:35	58	4 40	7 20
3 Wed.	155	Erasmus	6 4	morn		☾ 3. ♄ south 10:1 ☿	58	4 39	7 21
4 Thurs.	156	Corpus Chr	6 43	12 5		☾ ♄ rises 1:52	58	4 39	7 21
5 Friday	157	Bonifacius	7 22	12 30		♄ ♄ ♄, ♄ in Apogee	58	4 38	7 22
6 Sat.	158	Artemius	8 2	1 0		Regulus sets 11:42	58	4 38	7 22

23] 1st Sunday after Trinity.

Luke 16.

Day's length 14h. 44m.

7 Sunday	159	Lucretia	8 44	1 26		♄ ♄ ♄	59	4 37	7 23
8 Mond'y	160	Medardus	9 29	2 2		♄ in Aphelion	59	4 37	7 23
9 Tues.	161	Primus	10 18	2 28		♄ rises 3:4	59	4 37	7 23
10 Wed.	162	Flavius	11 10	3 7		♄ ♄ ♄, ♄ ♄ inferior	59	4 37	7 23
11 Thurs.	163	Barnabas	12 6	♄ set		♄ 11. ♄ ♄ ♄	59	4 37	7 23
12 Friday	164	Basilides	1 3	9 1		♄ in Perihelion ☾	0	4 37	7 23
13 Sat.	165	Tobias	1 59	9 42		Alphacca south 10:1	0	4 36	7 24

24] 2d Sunday after Trinity.

Luke 14.

Day's length 14h. 48m.

14 Sunday	166	Helisius	2 54	10 31		♄ ♄ ♄, ♄ ♄ ♄	0	4 36	7 24
15 Mond'y	167	Vitus	3 46	11 0		♄ ♄ ♄, ♄ ♄ ♄	0	4 36	7 24
16 Tues.	168	Rolandus	4 35	11 16		♄ sets 11:53	0	4 36	7 24
17 Wed.	169	St. Alban	5 23	11 48		Vega south 12:58 ☿	0	4 35	7 25
18 Thurs.	170	Arnolphus	6 11	morn		♄ 18. ♄ south 7:29	1	4 35	7 25
19 Friday	171	Gervasius	7 0	12 12		♄ ♄ in ☿	1	4 35	7 25
20 Sat.	172	Sylvarius	7 50	12 34		Sum. begins, longest day	1	4 34	7 26

25] 3d Sunday after Trinity.

Luke 15.

Day's length 14h. 52m.

21 Sunday	173	Raphael	8 45	1 20		♄ ♄ ♄	1	4 35	7 25
22 Mond'y	174	Achatius	9 44	1 49		♄ ♄ ♄, ♄ stationary	2	4 35	7 25
23 Tues.	175	Agrippina	10 45	2 27		♄ sets 2:10	2	4 35	7 25
24 Wed.	176	John Bapt.	11 46	3 11		♄ south 2:37	2	4 35	7 25
25 Thurs.	177	Elogius	morn	♄ ris		♄ 25. ♄ ♄ rises 1:58	2	4 35	7 25
26 Friday	178	Jeremiah	12 45	8 36		Sirius sets 8:34 ☾	3	4 35	7 25
27 Sat.	179	7 Sleepers	1 40	9 12		♄ south 8:18	3	4 36	7 24

26] 4th Sunday after Trinity.

Luke 6.

Day's length 14h. 48m.

28 Sunday	180	Leo	2 30	9 41		Vega south 12:5	3	4 36	7 24
29 Mond'y	181	Pet. & Paul	3 16	10 8		♄ Gr. Hel. Lat. S.	3	4 36	7 24
30 Tues.	182	Lucian	3 59	10 33		♄ ♄ ♄	3	4 36	7 24

Moon's Phases.

Last Quarter, 3d, 2 o'clock, morning.

New Moon, 11th, 3 o'clock, morning.

First Quarter, 18th, 6 o'clock, morning.

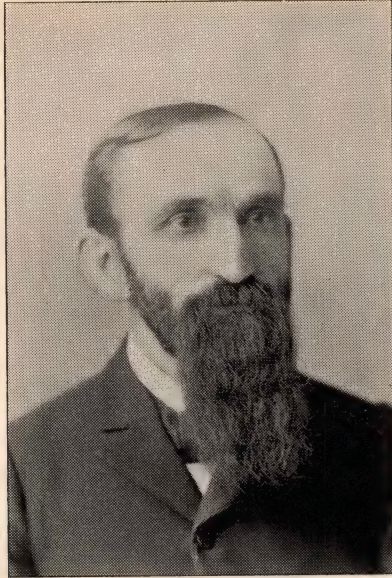
Full Moon, 25th, 1 o'clock, morning.

Conjectures of the Weather.

The 1st, cooler; 2d, cloudy; 3d, cool; 4th, showers; 5th, change; 6th, clearing; 7th, variable; 8th, rainy; 9th, sultry, showers; 10th, thunder; 11th, warm day; 12th, thunder, clouds; 13th, rain; 14th, sultry, close; 15th, heavy rains; 16th, hail storm, thunder; 17th, variable; 18th, great heat; 19th, sultry; 20th, close, sultry; 21st, intense heat; 22d, sharp lightning; 23d, cloudy, rain; 24th, showery; 25th, warm day; 26th, showers; 27th, cloudy; 28th, thunder; 29th, thunder showers; 30th, clear, warm.

It is a thought to me awful and beautiful, that of the daily prayer, and of the myriads of fellow-men uttering it, in care and in sickness, in doubt and in poverty, in health and in wealth.

It is only by labor that thought can be made healthy, and only by thought that labor can be made happy; and the two can not be separated with impunity.



Rev. Reuben Keller.

BORN in North Hampton County, Pa., January 13th, 1848, of German parentage, and of the fourth generation from Joseph Keller who emigrated from Zweibrücken, Germany, in the early days of this country. In 1857 his parents removed to Crawford County, Ohio. He attended common school until 1867, when he began a classical course in Heidelberg College. Graduated in 1873, and after teaching some, entered Heidelberg Theological Seminary and completed his course in theology in the spring of 1877. He served the Neria Charge in Michigan for five years, the New Jefferson Charge, in Eastern Ohio, for over nine years and will close his fourth year at West Alexandria, Ohio, January 1st, 1896.

The Reformed Church and Education.

The Reformed Church has always laid stress upon the importance of an educated ministry and an intelligent membership. Her institutions of learning are very numerous and widely distributed. They rank in equipment and advantages with institutions of learning in other

churches. Her seminaries are headed with able professors and teachers, her academies and colleges have the best talent, and the moral and spiritual atmosphere is far in advance of many others. The home-life and society about these educational centers is commendable, so that the young men and women of our church can find the highest advantages and the very best associations. These institutions of learning ought to be yet more largely endowed, and it is hoped those who have the means to do so will bequeath of their money to these purposes. In no better way can monuments be erected than by endowing professorships where a perpetual stream of blessing will flow on through the church.

The Reformed Church and Unity.

The spirit of our Reformed faith is Christian fellowship and unity among the different evangelical denominations. There is a disposition for closer unity among those bodies which are identical in custom and cultus and where creeds can be so adjusted as to meet the wants and preferences of all, and yet not sacrifice principle or yield any orthodox views. The Reformed Church occupies an important position in the Alliance of Reformed Churches, for this is virtually the basis upon which the Alliance rests. The meeting at Glasgow in June will be one of special importance and interest and the tending of these conferences between representative men always cements the unity of faith and love. Delegates to Alliance of Reformed Churches in 1896: Revs. Thomas G. Apple, D. D., Allen R. Bartholomew, Samuel R. Bridenbaugh, Jacob Dahlman, D. D., Edmund R. Eschbach, D. D., Calvin S. Gerhard, D. D., Emanuel V. Gerhart, D. D., James I. Good, D. D., Lewis H. Kefauver, D. D., Harry M. Kieffer, D. D., J. Spangler Kieffer, D. D., John J. Leberman, D. D., Jacob O. Miller, D. D., Henry Mosser, D. D., John A. Peters, D. D., John H. Prugh, D. D., William Rupp, D. D., John S. Stahr, D. D., John I. Swander, D. D., David Van Horne, D. D., Elders Horace Ankeney, William R. Barnhart, Jacob Y. Deitz, Henry M. Housekeeper, John B. Kieffer, Ph. D., Daniel Miller.

It is well to think well. It is divine to act well.

7th Month.

JULY, 1896.

31 Days.

DAYS OF month, week, year, etc.			MOON SOUTH h. m.	MOON R. & S. h. m.	MOON SIGNS	Aspects of Planets and Miscellany.	SUN SLOW h. m.	SUN RISES h. m.	SUN SETS. h. m.
1 Wed.	183	Theobald	4 39	10 54		Spica south 8:50	4 4 37	7 23	
2 Thurs.	184	Visit V.M.	5 18	11 18		2. ☾ in Apogee	4 4 37	7 23	
3 Friday	185	Cornelius	5 58	11 40		☉ in Aphelion	4 4 37	7 23	
4 Sat.	186	Independ.	6 39	morn		♂ ☽ ☾	4 4 38	7 22	
27] 5th Sunday after Trinity.			Luke 5.			Day's length 14h. 44m.			
5 Sunday	187	Demetrius	7 22	12 5		♂ rises 1:38	4 4 38	7 22	
6 Mond'y	188	John Huss	9 9	12 45		♂ south 7:42	4 4 38	7 22	
7 Tues.	189	Edulburga	9 10	1 28		Orion rises 4:26	5 4 39	7 21	
8 Wed.	190	Aquilla	10 54	2 5		♂ ☽ ☾, ♂ ☽ ☾	5 4 39	7 21	
9 Thurs.	191	Zeno	10 52	3 0		♂ ☽ ☾, Superior	5 4 39	7 21	
10 Friday	192	J. Calvin	12 46	☾ set		10. ♂ ☽ ☾	5 4 40	7 20	
11 Sat.	193	Pius	1 14	8 16		♂ south 1:44	5 4 40	7 20	
28] 6th Sunday after Trinity.			Matt. 5.			Day's length 14h. 40m.			
12 Sunday	194	Henry	1 49	8 58		♂ ☽ ☾, Dog Days begin	5 4 41	7 19	
13 Mond'y	195	Margaret	2 31	9 22		☽ sets 11:4	6 4 41	7 19	
14 Tues.	196	Bonavent	3 21	9 44		Altair south 12:10	6 4 42	7 18	
15 Wed.	197	Apostles' d	4 9	10 5		☾ in Perigee	6 4 43	7 17	
16 Thurs.	198	Hiliary	4 57	10 28		♂ stationary	6 4 43	7 17	
17 Friday	199	Alexius	5 47	10 58		17. ♀ sets 1:40	6 4 44	7 16	
18 Sat.	200	Maternus	6 40	11 30		♂ ♀ ☽, ☽ in ☉	6 4 45	7 15	
29] 7th Sunday after Trinity.			Mark 8.			Day's length 14h. 30m.			
19 Sunday	201	Ruffina	7 36	morn		♂ ☽ ☾	6 4 46	7 14	
20 Mond'y	202	Elias	8 35	12 23		Markab south 3:5	6 4 47	7 13	
21 Tues.	203	Praxedes	9 35	1 5		Orion rises 4:10	6 4 48	7 12	
22 Wed.	204	Mary Mag	10 34	2 4		♀ in Perihelion, ☉ ent.	6 4 48	7 12	
23 Thurs.	205	Appolinar	11 30	3 2		♀ in Perihelion	6 4 49	7 11	
24 Friday	206	Christiana	morn	☽ ris		24. Algenib s. 3:57	6 4 50	7 10	
25 Sat.	207	St. James	12 22	8 11		Pollux sets 8:18	6 4 51	7 9	
30] 8th Sunday after Trinity.			Matt. 7.			Day's length 14h. 18m.			
26 Sunday	208	St. Anne	1 9	8 35		Antares south 7:58	6 4 52	7 8	
27 Mond'y	209	Martha	1 53	8 58		♂ south 6:20	6 4 53	7 7	
28 Tues.	210	Pantaleon	2 34	9 22		♂ stationary	6 4 53	7 7	
29 Wed.	211	Beatrix	3 14	9 44		Spica sets 10:10	6 4 54	7 6	
30 Thurs.	212	Upton	3 14	10 8		☾ in Apogee	6 4 55	7 5	
31 Friday	213	Germanus	4 34	10 31		♂ ☽ ☾, Superior	6 4 56	7 4	

Moon's Phases.

Last Quarter, 2d, 7 o'clock, evening.

New Moon, 10th, 1 o'clock, evening.

First Quarter, 17th, 10 o'clock, morning.

Full Moon, 24th, 12 o'clock, evening.

Conjectures of the Weather.

The 1st, fair; 2d, cloudy; 3d, windy; 4th, thunder; 5th, clouds; 6th, sultry; 7th, warm day; 8th, showers; 9th, rain; 10th, thunder-shower; 11th, damp, foggy; 12th, showers; 13th, rainy day; 14th, thunder; 15th, thunder-storms; 16th, fair day; 17th, windy; 18th, cloudy; 19th, dark, cloudy; 20th, thunder-shower; 21st, fine day; 22d, cooler; 23d, foggy, damp; 24th, rain; 25th, showery; 26th, thunder; 27th, shower; 28th, unsettled; 29th, variable; 30th, warmer; 31st, sultry, close.

Venus (♀) is in Superior Conjunction with the sun on the 9th, and changes from morning star to evening star.

Consider before you speak, when the business is of moment; weigh the sense of what you mean to utter, and the expressions you intend to use, that they may be significant, pertinent and inoffensive.

Who is a true man? He who does the truth, and never holds a principle on which he is not prepared in any hour to act, and in any hour to risk the consequences of holding it.



The Reformed Church, West Alexandria, O.

THE history of the Reformed Church, at West Alexandria, covers a period of almost a century. The Rev. Thomas H. Winters began his labors in the year 1803. The first house of worship was built and owned jointly by the Reformed and Lutheran congregations. It was a log structure, erected about the year 1817. The union compact with the Lutherans continued until 1853, when the Reformed people under the leadership of the Rev. John Rike began the work of building a house of worship exclusively for their own use.

For forty years the congregation worshiped in that second structure of their history. But, eventually it became too limited for their comfort and their purposes. They needed more room, with more modern accommodations. Like

their fathers in the second house, they went forward in faith, and persevered in the work of rebuilding and remodeling until their wishes and purposes were fully realized in the glad consummation enjoyed on the day of dedication. The pastorates were as follows:

Rev. John Rike closed April 2, 1854; Rev. Levi Rike from April 2, 1854 to May 25, 1856; Rev. Adam C. Kendig from October 1, 1857 to October 1, 1861; Rev. Henry M. Herman from December 16, 1861 to August 15, 1881; Rev. Jos. G. Shumaker from January 1, 1882 to January 1, 1885; Rev. W. C. B. Shulenberger from January 1885 to January 1887; Rev. Harvey L. Hart from September 1, 1887 to February 24, 1891. The present pastorate, Rev. R. Keller's, began January 1, 1892.

8th Month.

AUGUST, 1896.

31 Days.

DAYS OF month, week, year, etc.			MOON SOUTH h. m.	MOON R. & S. h. m.	MOON SIGNS	Aspects of Planets and Miscellany.	SUN SLOW h. m.	SUN RISES. h. m.	SUN SETS. h. m.
1 Sat.	214	Lammas d.	5 16	11 14		1. Altair s. 10:58 ☾	6 4	57	7 3
31] 9th Sunday after Trinity.			Luke 16.		Day's length 14h. 06m.				
2 Sunday	215	Augustus	6 11	11 42		♂ ♀ ☽, ♂ ♀ ♄	6 4	58	7 2
3 Mond'y	216	Dominick	7 49	morn		♂ rises 12:40	6 4	59	7 1
4 Tues.	217	Stephen	8 42	12 40		☐ ♀ ☉, ♂ ♀ ☽	6 5	07	0
5 Wed.	218	Oswald	9 37	1 31		♂ ♀ ♄	6 5	16	59
6 Thurs.	219	Tr. of Chr.	10 35	2 25		♂ south 6:27 ☾	6 5	26	58
7 Friday	220	Godfrey	11 32	3 19		♄ south 7:20	5 5	36	57
8 Sat.	221	Emelius	12 7	☾ set		8. ♂ ♀ ♀, ☉ eclipsed, in.	5 5	46	56
32] 10th Sunday after Trinity.			Luke 19.		Day's length 13h. 52m.				
9 Sunday	222	Ericus	12 49	7 38		♂ ♄ ☽, ♂ ♀ ☽, ♂ ♀ ☽	5 5	66	54
10 Mond'y	223	St. Lawr.	1 13	8 4		♀ sets 4:54	5 5	76	53
11 Tues.	224	Titus	2 3	8 28		☽ in Perigee	5 5	86	52
12 Wed.	225	Clara	2 53	8 54		♂ ♄ ☉, ☐ ♀ ☉ ☽	5 5	96	51
13 Thurs.	226	Hildebert	3 43	9 24		Orion rises 1:50	5 5	106	50
14 Friday	227	Eusebius	4 36	9 50		♀ Gr. Hel. Lat. N.	4 5	116	49
15 Sat.	228	Ass. V. M.	5 31	10 24		15. ♂ ♀ ☽, ♂ ♀ ☽	4 5	126	48
33] 11th Sunday after Trinity.			Luke 18.		Day's length 13h. 36m.				
16 Sunday	229	Rochus	6 29	11 21		♀ sets 12:4	4 5	146	46
17 Mond'y	230	Agapetus	7 29	11 49		Polaris south 3:32	4 5	156	45
18 Tues.	231	Bertram	8 27	morn		Procyon sets 3:22	4 5	166	44
19 Wed.	232	Sebaldu	9 24	12 23		Arcturus sets 11:27 ☾	3 5	176	43
20 Thurs.	233	Bernard	10 16	1 31		Orion rises 1:23	3 5	186	42
21 Friday	234	Rebecca	11 4	2 49		♀ south 4:45	3 5	196	41
22 Sat.	235	Philibert	11 49	3 57		☽ eclipsed, visible	3 5	216	39
34] 12th Sunday after Trinity.			Mark 17.		Day's length 13h. 28m.				
23 Sunday	236	Zaccheus	morn	☽ ris		23. ☉ enters ♋	2 5	226	38
24 Mond'y	237	St. Barth.	12 31	7 1		Achernar s. 3:22 ♍	2 5	236	37
25 Tues.	238	Ludovicus	1 11	7 24		♂ in ♋, Dog Days end	2 5	246	36
26 Wed.	239	Samuel	1 51	7 56		Rigel rises 12:20	2 5	256	35
27 Thurs.	240	Gebhart	2 31	8 24		☽ in Apogee	1 5	276	33
28 Friday	241	St. August	3 12	8 46		♄ south 11:16	1 5	286	32
29 Sat.	242	John beh.	3 55	9 20		Capella rises 12:43	1 5	296	31
35] 13th Sunday after Trinity.			Luke 10.		Day's length 13h. 02m.				
30 Sunday	243	Benjamin	4 42	9 58		♂ rises 12:10	0 5	306	30
31 Mond'y	244	Paulinus	5 32	10 36		31. ♂ ♀ ☽, ☐ ♀ ☉	0 5	316	29

Moon's Phases.

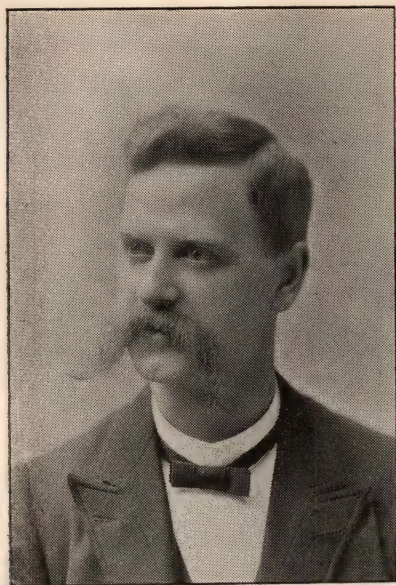
Last Quarter, 1st, 12 o'clock, evening.
 New Moon, 8th, at 11 o'clock, evening.
 First Quarter, 15th, 3 o'clock, evening.
 Full Moon, 23d, at 1 o'clock, morning.
 Last Quarter, 31st, 5 o'clock, morning.

Conjectures of the Weather.

The 1st, sultry, hot; 2d, thunder; 3d, variable; 4th, thunder shower; 5th, sultry, showery; 6th, clouds, thunder; 7th, fog; 8th, warm day; 9th, clouds; 10th, thunder storm; 11th, unsettled; 12th, thunder; 13th, showers; 14th, change; 15th, clouds; 16th, wet day; 17th, clearing; 18th, clouds; 19th, threatening; 20th, rain; 21st, cloudy; 22d, clouds; 23d, change; 24th, clear; 25th, fine weather; 26th, unsettled; 27th, damp day; 28th, warmer; 29th, wind; 30th, cloudy; 31st, rainy day.

Jupiter (♃) is in conjunction with the sun on the 12th, and can not be seen.

No one can ask honestly or hopefully to be delivered from temptation unless he has himself honestly and firmly determined to do the best he can to keep out of it.



Prof. M. E. Kleckner.

BORN in 1861, in Stephenson County, Illinois. Lived on the farm until he entered Heidelberg College in the fall of 1878. Graduated in 1883. From 1884 to 1886 he taught in the College of Northern Illinois, at Dakota, Illinois, occupying the chair of Natural Science and History. In the fall of 1886, he began teaching at Heidelberg as assistant in the Department of Natural Science. In 1890 he was appointed Prof. of Geology and Biology and since 1892 has also had charge of Chemistry and Physics.

Prof. Kleckner has the happy faculty of winning his students and has made his department one of the most interesting of any in the university.

The Reformed Church.

The Reformed Church has an honorable and interesting history, both in Europe and America. She as a distinct branch of the Church of Christ, grew out of the great religious movement of the sixteenth century, which gave birth to Evangelical Protestantism, and about 1700, if not earlier, became established in the United States of

America by emigrants from Germany, Switzerland and France, and largely from the Palatinate. Many of these had fled from tyranny and persecution, and sought liberty of conscience and political freedom in this country. Their outward condition in many instances was deplorable and discouraging, but with trust in God and love for the church of their choice they endured all through faith and hope.

Though the "Reformed Church in the United States" started in weakness and under peculiar difficulties in this country, the dawn of better things and conditions appeared. Her progress for some years was slow, but under the Divine blessing she gradually advanced and became permanently established. She now has grown into a large and compact organization, with educational and charitable institutions and publication interests.

She accepts the Holy Scriptures, as divinely inspired and authentic, revealing the will of God and the plan of redemption through Jesus Christ, and as being the only perfect rule of faith and practice. Her standard of doctrine is the Heidelberg Catechism, and favors simplicity of worship.

The Reformers.

Every member of the Reformed Church should not only study her history in Europe and America, but also become acquainted with the lives, sayings and doings of the Reformers—especially of those who labored in the interest of the Reformed Church. There are different books which furnish information in this respect. Among these are the *Tercentenary Monument*, the *History and Genius of the Heidelberg Catechism*, by Dr. Nevin; the *Lives of the Fathers of the Reformed Church, Vol. I.*, by Dr. Harbaugh, and the recent *Histories* by Rev. Dr. J. I. Good, in two volumes. These together with other similar books give interesting sketches of Zwingli, Ecolampadius, Bullinger, Haller, Bucer, Farel, Calvin, Beza, De Lasky, Frederick III., Ursinus and Olevianus. Let such historical and biographical books be sought and read. Indeed there is no excuse for ignorance respecting these Reformers. The means are at hand, and the information thereby furnished may be studied with interest and profit.

9th Month.

SEPTEMBER, 1896.

30 Days.

DAYS OF month, week, year, etc.			MOON SOUTH h. m.	MOON R. & S. h. m.	MOON SIGN	Aspects of Planets and Miscellany.	SUN FAST.	SUN RISES. h. m.	SUN SETS. h. m.
1 Tues.	245	Egidius	6 25	11 21		♂ ♀ ♀	☾	0 5 33	6 27
2 Wed.	246	Eliza	7 20	morn		Vega south 7:44	☾	59 5 34	6 26
3 Thurs.	247	Mansuetus	8 17	12 20		♂ south 3:57		59 5 35	6 25
4 Friday	248	Moses	9 13	1 36		♂ in Aphelion		59 5 36	6 24
5 Sat.	249	Nathaniel	10 37	2 54		♂ rises 5:20		58 5 38	6 22

36] 14th Sunday after Trinity.

Luke 7.

Day's length 12h. 44m.

6 Sunday	250	Magnus	11 43	4 6		♂ ♀ ♀		58 5 39	6 21
7 Mond'y	251	Regina	12 42	☾ set		♂ ♀ ♀	☾	58 5 40	6 20
8 Tues.	252	Nat. V. M.	1 34	6 49		♂ ♀ ♀, ♀ in Perigee	☾	57 5 41	6 19
9 Wed.	253	Bruno	2 27	7 14		♂ ♀ ♀		57 5 43	6 17
10 Thurs.	254	Pulcheria	3 14	7 40		♂ sets 11:14		57 5 44	6 16
11 Friday	255	Protus	3 52	8 2		♂ ♀ ♀, ♂ ♀ ♀		56 5 45	6 15
12 Sat.	256	J. Wickliffe	4 23	8 32		☐ ♀ ☉		56 5 47	6 13

37] 15th Sunday after Trinity.

Matt. 6.

Day's length 12h. 26m.

13 Sunday	257	Amatus	5 23	9 7		♂ ♀ ♀	♂ 13. ♀ Gr. Elong. E.	56 5 48	6 12
14 Mond'y	258	Elev. Holy†	6 22	9 49		♂ south 10:23		55 5 49	6 11
15 Tues.	259	Nicasius	7 19	11 1		Fomalhartsouth 11:16	☾	55 5 50	6 10
16 Wed.	260	Emberday	8 13	morn		Vega sets 7:1		55 5 52	6 8
17 Thurs.	261	Euphemia	9 2	12 14		☉ rises 8:36		54 5 53	6 7
18 Friday	262	Lambertus	9 47	1 32		Orion rises 11:37		54 5 54	6 6
19 Sat.	263	Siegfried	10 30	2 59		♂ south 5:15		54 5 56	6 4

38] 16th Sunday after Trinity.

Luke 7.

Day's length 12h. 08m.

20 Sunday	264	Jonas	11 10	4 10		Capella south 5:48		53 5 57	6 3
21 Mond'y	265	St. Matth.	morn	☾ ris		♂ 21. D. & N. equal ☉		53 5 58	6 2
22 Tues.	266	Maurice	12 9	6 16		☉ enters ♊ autumn begins		53 6 0	6 0
23 Wed.	267	Hosea	12 49	6 40		☾ in Apogee		52 6 1	6 59
24 Thurs.	268	St. John C.	1 10	7 7		♂ ♂ ♀, ♂ ♀ ♀		52 6 2	6 58
25 Friday	269	Cleophas	1 52	7 37		♂ Gr. Hel. Lat. s.		52 6 4	6 56
26 Sat.	270	Justina	2 38	8 24		♂ stationary		51 6 5	6 55

39] 17th Sunday after Trinity.

Luke 14.

Day's length 11h. 50m.

27 Sunday	271	Cosmus	3 26	9 20		Antares sets 8:30		51 6 6	6 54
28 Mond'y	272	Wenasiaus	4 17	10 20		♂ ♀ ♀, ♂ ♂ ♀		51 6 8	6 52
29 Tues.	273	St. Michael	5 10	10 57		♂ 29. ♂ rises 11:14	☾	50 6 9	6 51
30 Wed.	274	Jerome	6 5	11 31		♂ south 2:20		50 6 10	6 50

Moon's Phases.

New Moon, 7th, 8 o'clock, morning.

First Quarter, 13th, 10 o'clock, evening.

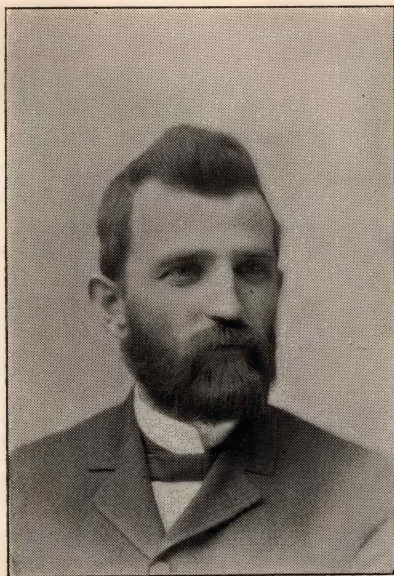
Full Moon, 21st, 5 o'clock, evening.

Last Quarter, 29th, 8 o'clock, evening.

Conjectures of the Weather.

The 1st, damp day; 2d, variable; 3d, clouds; 4th, unsettled; 5th, drizzly; 6th, change; 7th, cloudy; 8th, thunder; 9th, warm; 10th, cloudy, rain; 11th, clouds; 12th, cooler; 13th, variable; 14th, clearing; 15th, clear day; 16th, windy; 17th, change; 18th, bright, clear; 19th, clear, cooler; 20th, cloudy; 21st, rain; 22d, clearing; 23d, variable; 24th, clouds; 25th, thunder; 26th, fog; 27th, cool; 28th, rainy day; 29th, cold, stormy; 30th, frost.

It is not a want of time that keeps us from serving God, nor a want of means that keeps us from giving to his cause. If our soul-hunger were intense enough we would find time to pray as easily as we now find time for our meals. If we yearned to save dying souls as we yearn to bless our own children, we would find something to give and something to do for their help.



Prof. T. H. Sonnedecker.

BORN December 27, 1857, on a farm near Madisonburg, Wayne County, Ohio. Ancestors were members of the Reformed Church in Switzerland. Attended Wooster University three years and also Otterbein University three years, from which he graduated in 1883. Taught school in Dayton, Va., and Fostoria, Ohio. Has been teaching in Heidelberg University since 1886, and is now occupying the chair of Greek Language and Literature. Graduated from Heidelberg Theological Seminary and is a member of Tiffin Classis as a licentiate.

Catechism.

A catechism is a formula of doctrine, and many such formulas have been published. Among the different catechisms published of the Protestant Church are Luther's, the Heidelberg and the Westminster. The first is the doctrinal standard of the Lutheran Church, the second of the Reformed Church and the third of the Presbyterian Church. When compared as to contents, it will be seen that the central thought or principle in the first is the sacra-

ments, in the second it is grace or redemption and in the third it is election.

The Heidelberg Catechism, corresponding with the religious experience of every true believer, is divided into three parts: 1. Conviction of sin; 2, conversion to Christ; 3, the Christian life of thankfulness. This division is scriptural; for it follows Paul's doctrinal arrangement in his epistle to the Romans. *First* part Romans 1: 18 to 3: 20; *second* 3: 20 to 11: 36; *third* 12: 1 to the end of the epistle. And the catechism should not only be accepted as the doctrinal standard of the Reformed Church, but be used in the family and congregation in the instruction and indoctrination of the children and youth.

The Catechism in the Home.

The Reformed Church has always emphasized the importance of educational religion. She has given great attention to the indoctrination of the children through the catechism. This has been her chief strength in the early period of her struggles against catholicism. It was by educating the children in the doctrines of the church that the Reformed faith was able to resist the ravages of Romanism. As it was necessary at that time to fortify the young against the assaults of the world, so now it is just as important that they may give a reason of the hope that is in them. They must now be rooted and grounded in the faith, and nothing can be more helpful than a study of the catechism in the Christian home. Let parents be properly imbued with the principles of this standard of faith and let these things be engraven on the heart as essentials in the Christian life.

CONTEMPORARY SYNODS.—The first Synod of the Reformed Church in the United States was organized in Philadelphia, Pa., September 29, 1747. The first Synod of the (Dutch) Reformed Church in America, was organized just fifteen days earlier, September 14, 1747. The first Synod of the Lutheran Church in this country was organized nearly one year later, August 14, 1748.

Keep your ears open to all that is worth hearing, and closed to all that is not.

10th Month. OCTOBER, 1896. 31 Days.

DAYS OF month, week, year, etc.			MOON SOUTH h. m.	MOON R. & S. h. m.	MOON SIGNS	Aspects of Planets and Miscellany.	SUN SLOW.	SUN RISES. h. m.	SUN SETS. h. m.
1 Thurs.	275	Remigius	6 59	morn		♄ south 9:29	50	6 12	5 48
2 Friday	276	Columbus	7 53	12 47		Sirius rises 1:6	49	6 13	5 47
3 Sat.	277	Jairus	8 45	2 2		♄ ♄ ♄	49	6 14	5 46
40] 18th Sunday after Trinity. Matt. 22. Day's length 11h. 32m.									
4 Sunday	278	Franciscus	9 36	3 21		♄ rises 4:10	49	6 16	5 44
5 Mond'y	279	Placidus	10 57	4 34		♄ south 4:38	48	6 17	5 43
6 Tues.	280	Fides	12 0	♄ set		6. Arcturus sets 8:36	48	6 18	5 42
7 Wed.	281	Amelia	12 48	6 3		♄ in Perigee, ♄ ♄ ♄	48	6 19	5 41
8 Thurs.	282	Pelagius	1 9	6 30		♄ ♄ ♄, ♄ ♄ ♄, Inferior	47	6 21	5 39
9 Friday	283	Dionysius	2 9	7 4		♄ ♄ ♄, ♄ ♄ ♄, ♄ in ♄	47	6 22	5 38
10 Sat.	284	Gideon	3 11	7 35		♄ sets 10:30	47	6 23	5 37
41] 19th Sunday after Trinity. Matt. 9. Day's length 11h. 14m.									
11 Sunday	285	Burkhard	3 13	8 8		♄ south 1:42	47	6 24	5 36
12 Mond'y	286	Veritas	4 13	9 19		Regulus rises 10:27	46	6 25	5 35
13 Tues.	287	Coloman	6 8	10 30		13. ♄ in ♄	46	6 27	5 33
14 Wed.	288	Fortunata	6 59	11 41		♄ in ♄	46	6 28	5 32
15 Thurs.	289	Hedwick	7 46	morn		♄ ♄ ♄	46	6 29	5 31
16 Friday	290	Gallus	8 29	12 53		Fomalhart south 9:26	46	6 31	5 29
17 Sat.	291	Florentina	9 20	2 1		♄ stationary	45	6 32	5 28
42] 20th Sunday after Trinity. Matt. 22. Day's length 10h. 56m.									
18 Sunday	292	St. Luke	10 28	3 23		♄ in Perihelion	45	6 33	5 27
19 Mond'y	293	Ptolemy	11 8	4 19		♄ ♄ ♄	45	6 35	5 25
20 Tues.	294	Felicianus	11 51	5 16		Algenib south 10:8	45	6 36	5 24
21 Wed.	295	Ursula	morn	♄ ris		21. ♄ in Apogee	45	6 37	5 23
22 Thurs.	296	Cordula	12 35	6 1		Markab south 9:16	45	6 39	5 21
23 Friday	297	Severinus	1 23	6 37		♄ enters ♄	44	6 40	5 20
24 Sat.	298	Salome	2 13	7 29		♄ Great Elong W	44	6 41	5 19
43] 21st Sunday after Trinity. John 4. Day's length 10h. 38m.									
25 Sunday	299	Crispin	3 5	8 32		♄ ♄ ♄	44	6 42	5 18
26 Mond'y	300	Amandus	3 59	9 46		♄ ♄ ♄	44	6 43	5 17
27 Tues.	301	Sabina	4 52	10 50		♄ rises 10:28	44	6 45	5 15
28 Wed.	302	Sim. Jude	5 44	11 22		Sirius rises 11:26	44	6 46	5 14
29 Thurs.	303	Zwinglius	6 35	morn		29. ♄ Gr. Hel. Lat. N.	44	6 47	5 13
30 Friday	304	Serapion	7 24	12 7		♄ rises 3:20	44	6 48	5 12
31 Sat.	305	Hallow Eve	8 13	1 8		♄ ♄ ♄	44	6 50	5 10

Moon's Phases.

New Moon, 6th, 4 o'clock, evening.

First Quarter, 13th, 9 o'clock, morning.

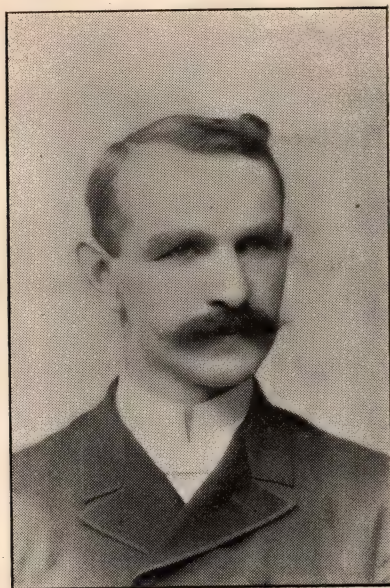
Full Moon, 21st, at 10 o'clock, morning.

Last Quarter, 29th, 9 o'clock, morning.

Conjectures of the Weather.

The 1st, windy; 2d, change; 3d, clouds; 4th, rain; 5th, clouds; 6th, threatening; 7th, showery, thunder; 8th, cool, frosty; 9th, frosty, cool; 10th, cool; 11th, rain; 12th, unsettled; 13th, blustery; 14th, variable; 15th, blustery; 16th, warm; 17th, blustery; 18th, warmer; 19th, cloudy; 20th, fair, frosty; 21st, frosty; 22d, cloudy; 23d, rainy; 24th, change; 25th, dark, dull; 26th, cloudy; 27th, rainy; 28th, showery; 29th, clearing; 30th, fine day; 31st, change.

God makes the same promise to true believers that was made to the sons of Asher: "Thy shoes shall be iron and brass; and as thy day, so shall thy strength be." They that are thus shod run without being weary, and walk without growing faint. Then let us all put on the sandals of cheerful obedience and holy alacrity. They will not chafe our feet, or let us slip when we come to places of dangerous temptation.



Rev. E. E. Weller.

REV. E. E. WELLER was born at Gebharts, Somerset county, Pa. His boyhood days were spent upon the farm. He attended the common school and later taught in the same. Entered the Freshman Class of Heidelberg College in September, 1883 and graduated with the class of '87. He graduated from the Theological Seminary at Lancaster, Pa., in May, 1890. Was licensed and ordained by the Somerset Classis, and appointed to supply the congregation at Hyndman, Pa., and at the same time canvass the city of Cumberland, Md., with the view of organizing a congregation. Was appointed by the General Board of Home Missions as pastor of the Cumberland charge. Organized the congregation at Cumberland, and served the charge almost two years. Was called to the pastorate of the Germantown charge, Germantown, O., and entered upon his duties there April 1, 1892.

Governed by Synods.

The Reformed Church, in every period of her history from the Reformation to the present time, and in all European countries where she

has existed, as well as in America, has been governed by synods with their subordinate classes. The Reformed Church in the United States has one General Synod and eight District Synods, which, including fifty-six classes, were organized, as to name, time and place, as follows:

NAME.	TIME.	PLACE
Eastern	Sept. 29, 1747.	Philadelphia, Pa.
Ohio	June 14, 1824.	New Philadelphia, O.
Northwest	May 29, 1867.	Fort Wayne, Ind.
Pittsburgh	Feb. 11, 1870.	Pittsburgh, Pa.
Potomac	April 18, 1873.	Frederick, Md.
German of East	Jan. 12, 1875.	Philadelphia Pa.
Central	Nov. 3, 1881.	Galion, O.
Interior	Sept. 29, 1887.	Kansas City, Mo.
General Synod	Nov. 18, 1863.	Pittsburgh, Pa.

There had been other synods organized, but after some years they became dissolved and are no longer in existence, namely:

1. The *Free Synod* of Pennsylvania, existing for a period of fourteen years from 1822 to 1836, when it reunited with the Eastern Synod, out of which it had irregularly sprung.
2. The three *District Synods* into which the Ohio Synod was divided from 1839 to 1842. These synods were formerly organized as follows: *First District* in 1840 at ————; *Second District* in 1840, at Bethlehem, Ohio; and *Third District* in 1840, June 8, 1840, at Dayton, Ohio. All these became dissolved in 1842, as they were succeeded by the system of classes.
3. The *German Independent Synod*, which was originally composed of ministers withdrawing from the Ohio Synod, and was organized October 3, 1846, at New Lisbon, Ohio; but after an independent existence of six years became again formally united in 1852 with the Ohio Synod.

On Entering the Church.

The house of God is a sacred place. It is consecrated to the service of God, and for holy purposes. As such it should be regarded by all. Yet some persons have the bad habit, when they come into the church before the service begins, to talk aloud with each other in the pew, and disturb the meditations of others. You should feel impressed that you are in the house of God, and that you came there to worship Him. Let this engage your mind and heart as soon as you enter the sanctuary of the Lord.

11th Month. NOVEMBER, 1896. 30 Days.

DAYS OF month, week, year, etc.		MOON SOUTH h. m.	MOON R. & S. h. m.	MOON SIGNÉ	Aspects of Planets and Miscellany.	SUN SLOW h. m.	SUN RISES. h. m.	SUN SETS. h. m.
44]	22d Sunday after Trinity.				Matt. 18.		Day's length 10h. 20m.	
1	Sunday 306 All saints	9 3	2 13		Vega sets 12:28 ☿ ☿	44 6 51	5 9	
2	Mond'y 307 All souls	9 54	3 19		♂ stationary	44 6 52	5 8	
3	Tues. 308 Theophilus	10 49	4 30		♂ south 7:41	44 6 53	5 7	
4	Wed. 309 Charlotte	11 48	5 38		♂ in Perigee, ♂ ☿ ♀	44 6 54	5 6	
5	Thurs. 310 Malachi	12 50	♄ set		♂ 5. ♂ ♀ ♀, ♂ ☿ ♀	44 6 55	5 5	
6	Friday 311 Leonard	1 55	5 30		♀ sets 5:10	44 6 56	5 4	
7	Sat. 312 Engelbert	2 58	6 25		♂ ♀ ♀	44 6 58	5 2	
45]	23d Sunday after Trinity.				Matt. 21.		Day's length 10h. 04m.	
8	Sunday 313 Godfrey	3 49	7 23		Aldebaran rises 6:36	44 6 59	5 1	
9	Mond'y 314 Theodore	4 36	8 32		Orion rises 8:19 ☿	44 7 05	0 0	
10	Tues. 315 M. Luther	5 10	9 53		♂ south 2:32	44 7 14	59	
11	Wed. 316 Melanch't'n	5 31	10 36		Andromeda south 8:52	44 7 24	58	
12	Thurs. 317 Jonas	6 26	11 38		♂ 12. ♀ in Aphelion	45 7 34	57	
13	Friday 318 Winebert	7 8	morn		♂ ♀ ☿	45 7 44	56	
14	Sat. 319 Levin	7 48	12 34		Algol south 11:23 ☿	45 7 54	55	
46]	24th Sunday after Trinity.				Matt. 21.		Day's length 9h. 50m.	
15	Sunday 320 Leopold	8 26	1 41		♂ south 2:13	45 7 64	54	
16	Mond'y 321 Ottomar	9 8	2 38		♂ ☿ ☿	45 7 74	53	
17	Tues. 322 Alpheus	9 49	3 39		♂ in Apogee	45 7 84	52	
18	Wed. 323 Gelasius	10 33	4 42		♂ south 11:30	45 7 94	51	
19	Thurs. 324 Elizabeth	11 19	5 41		♂ ☿ ♀	46 7 104	50	
20	Friday 325 Amos	morn	♄ ris		♂ 20. Capella s. 1:10	46 7 104	50	
21	Sat. 326 O. V. Mary	12 9	5 19		♂ ☿ ☿, ♀ in ☿	46 7 114	49	
47]	25th Sunday after Trinity.				Matt. 24.		Day's length 9h. 38m.	
22	Sunday 327 Alphonsus	1 19	6 20		♂ ♀ ♀, ☿ enters ☿	46 7 124	48	
23	Mond'y 328 Clement	1 28	7 29		♂ ☿ ♀	47 7 134	47	
24	Tues. 329 Chrisogen.	3 41	8 40		♂ rises 9:45	47 7 144	46	
25	Wed. 330 Catharine	4 31	9 45		Rigel rises 7:31	47 7 154	45	
26	Thurs. 331 Thanksgiv.	5 19	11 4		Achernar south 9:12	48 7 154	45	
27	Friday 332 Jehosaph't	6 7	morn		♂ 27. Sirius 9:32	48 7 164	44	
28	Sat. 333 Guntherus	6 54	12 6		♂ ☿ ☿ Superior ☿	48 7 174	43	
48]	1st Sunday in Advent.				Matt. 21.		Day's length 9h. 26m.	
29	Sunday 334 Saturn	7 43	1 14		♂ south 6:6	49 7 184	42	
30	Mond'y 335 St. Andrew	8 34	2 29		☿ ☿ ☿	49 7 194	41	

Moon's Phases.

New Moon, 5th, at 1 o'clock, morning.
First Quarter, 12th, 12 o'clock, morning.
Full Moon, 20th, 4 o'clock, morning.
Last Quarter, 27th, 9 o'clock, evening.

Conjectures of the Weather.

The 1st, clear; 2d, threatening; 3d, rain; 4th, change; 5th, cloudy; 6th, rainy; 7th, stormy; 8th, cooler, frost; 9th, clear; 10th, clouds; 11th, unsettled; 12th, cloudy, stormy, snow; 13th, fog; 14th, squally; 15th, snow squalls; 16th, windy, cold; 17th, change; 18th, cloudy; 19th, rainy day; 20th, windy, snow; 21st, very cold; 22d, wintry; 23d, raw, cold winds; 24th, clearing; 25th, moderating; 26th, gloomy; 27th, unsettled; 28th, clouds, fog; 29th, change; 30th, variable.

Saturn (♄) is in conjunction with the sun on the 13th, and can not be seen.

It is a high, solemn, almost awful thought for every individual man that his earthly influence, which has had a commencement, will never through all ages, were he the very meanest of us, have an end!

Life is short, and we have never too much time for gladdening the hearts of those who are traveling the same dark journey with us. O, be swift to love! Make haste to be kind.



St. John's Reformed Church, Germantown, Ohio.

THIS congregation was organized about the year 1809. The first regular pastor—the Rev. Thomas Winter, was called in the year 1815, and served the charge, which consisted of the Germantown congregation, the Slifer congregation, Clear Creek in Warren county, West Alexandria and Lewisburg in Preble county and Beaver Creek in Greene county, until 1840. The following persons have served as pastors since then: Revs. George Long, Solomon K. Denius, John Kercher, Aaron Warner, G. W. Williard, H. C. Comfort, J. B. Shumaker, Jos. H. Apple, Chas. W. Good, Peter C. Prugh, E. R. Williard, E. M. Beck, W. H. Tus-sing. The present pastorate began April 1, 1892.

NO RICHER GLORY.—There is no richer or more abiding glory to be gained on earth than is secured in the exercise of ennobling influence upon humanity, and especially upon the development of the young.—*William Winter.*

Thanksgiving.

For the earth and all its beauty;
For the sky and all its light;
For the dim and soothing shadows
That rest the dazzled sight;
For unfading fields and prairies,
Where sense in vain has trod;
For the world's exhaustless beauty,
I thank thee, O my God.

12th Month.

DECEMBER, 1896.

31 Days.

DAYS OF			MOON	MOON	MOON	Aspects of Planets and Miscellany.	SUN	SUN	SUN
month, week, year, etc.			SOUTH	R. & S.	MOON		SLOW.	RISES	SETS
			h. m.	h. m.	SIGNS.			h. m.	h. m.
1 Tues.	336	Longinus	9 29	4 36		♂ in Aphelion	♌	49 7 19	4 41
2 Wed.	337	Candidus	10 29	4 48		♂ in Perigee	♌	50 7 20	4 40
3 Thurs.	338	Cassianus	11 32	6 6		♂ ♀ ♀, ♀ ♀ ♀		50 7 20	4 40
4 Friday	339	Heatwole	12 37	♄ set		♄ 4. ♀ ♀ ♀		51 7 21	4 39
5 Sat.	340	Abigail	1 27	5 19		♄ south 5:48		51 7 21	4 39
49] 2d Sunday in Advent.			Luke 21.			Day's length 9h. 18m.			
6 Sunday	341	St. Nich.	1 59	6 20		♀ sets 5:48		51 7 22	4 38
7 Mond'y	342	Agathon	2 38	7 14		♂ ♀ ♀	♌	52 7 22	4 38
8 Tues.	343	Con. V. M.	3 32	8 16		Orion rises 6:20		52 7 22	4 38
9 Wed.	344	Joachim	4 20	9 17		♂ ♀ ♀		53 7 23	4 37
10 Thurs.	345	Judith	5 4	10 20		♂ ♀ ♀		53 7 23	4 37
11 Friday	346	Barsabas	5 45	11 21		♄ 11. ♀ south 11:49	♌	54 7 24	4 36
12 Sat.	347	Otilia	6 25	morn		♄ 7. ♀ south 7:20		54 7 24	4 36
50] 3d Sunday in Advent.			Matt. 11.			Day's length 9h. 12m.			
13 Sunday	348	Lucian	7 5	12 24		Arietas south 8:36		55 7 24	4 36
14 Mond'y	349	Nicassius	7 46	1 26		♄ in Apogee		55 7 24	4 36
15 Tues.	350	Ignatius	8 28	2 40		Rigel south 11:37		56 7 24	4 36
16 Wed.	351	Emberday	9 24	3 57		♄ south 5:4		56 7 25	4 35
17 Thurs.	352	Lazarus	10 43	5 2		Achernar south 7:46		57 7 25	4 35
18 Friday	353	Arnoldus	11 48	6 12		Sirius south 12:53		57 7 25	4 35
19 Sat.	354	Abraham	morn	♄ ris		♄ 19. ♀ ♀ ♀, ♀ ♀ ♀		58 7 25	4 35
51] 4th Sunday in Advent.			John 1.			Day's length 9h. 10m.			
20 Sunday	355	Amnon	12 42	5 45		♄ rises 8:14	♌	58 7 25	4 35
21 Mond'y	356	St. Thomas	1 37	6 15		♄ Cent. ♄, winter begins, sh. day		59 7 26	4 34
22 Tues.	357	Beata	2 28	7 24		♄ Gr. Hel. Lat. S.		59 7 25	4 35
23 Wed.	358	Dagobert	3 17	8 38		Capella south 10:56		0 7 25	4 35
24 Thurs.	359	Adam, Eve	4 5	10 49		Regulus rises 9:1		0 7 25	4 35
25 Friday	360	Christmas	4 52	11 45		♄ ♄ ♄, ♄ stationary		1 7 25	4 35
26 Sat.	361	Stephen	5 38	morn		Vega sets 8:54	♌	1 7 25	4 35
52] 5th Sunday in Advent.			Luke 2.			Day's length 9h. 10m.			
27 Sunday	362	John Ev.	6 27	12 5		♄ 27. Sirius sets 7:30		2 7 24	4 36
28 Mond'y	363	Innocents	7 19	1 6		♄ ♀ ♀ ♀		2 7 24	4 36
29 Tues.	364	Noah	8 14	2 7		♄ south 4:16		3 7 24	4 36
30 Wed.	365	David	9 14	3 12		♄ in Perigee, ♄ ♀ ♀		3 7 24	4 36
31 Thurs.	366	Sylvester	10 17	4 14		♄ in Perihelion		4 7 24	4 36

Moon's Phases.

New Moon, 4th, 12 o'clock, evening.

First Quarter, 11th, 6 o'clock, evening.

Full Moon, 19th, at 10 o'clock, evening.

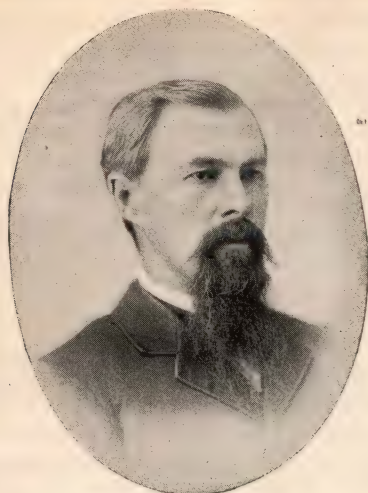
Last Quarter, 27th, 6 o'clock, morning.

Conjectures of the Weather.

The 1st, change; 2d, pleasant; 3d, clear, frosty; 4th, cloudy, colder; 5th, rain or snow; 6th, blustery; 7th, unsettled; 8th, snow, windy; 9th, cold; 10th, rough day; 11th, damp, misty; 12th, dull; 13th, fair; 14th, change; 15th, cloudy; 16th, rain, sleet, snow; 17th, cloudy; 18th, disagreeable; 19th, rough day; 20th, sleet, snow; 21st, cloudy; 22d, colder; 23d, change; 24th, moderating; 25th, change; 26th, snow; 27th, wind; 28th, blustery; 29th, cold day; 30th, snowy, cold; 31st, rough day.

Mars (♂) is in opposition with the sun on the 11th, and shines all night.

When we look into our own heart and life, we feel we deserve no blessing from God, and it clips the wings of faith and prevents our petition rising to the throne of grace. But we ought to encourage ourselves with the fact that we have the promise, "Open thy mouth wide and I will fill it," and the other fact, "A large request honoreth the giver."



Rev. J. H. Steele.

PASTOR GRACE CHURCH, TIFFIN, OHIO.

WAS born in Tuscarawas Township, Stark County, O., near Massillon, on a farm in the year 1853, October 6th. Started to Heidelberg 1871, graduated from College 1876, from the Seminary 1878. First field of labor Mohican charge from October 1878 to October 1886. Alpha charge from October 1886 to January 1893. Grace Church, Tiffin, 1893, of which congregation he is at present the pastor.

A Christmas Sermon.

Here is a whole sermon on trust by a little fellow, who, after suffering a keen disappointment in finding an empty stocking on Christmas morning, was overwhelmed with joy and gratitude by a very late visit of the Christmas saint. Kind friends sent the gifts, and Arty's teacher told him so.

"But," said Arty, "God must have told them to send the things to us."

"Did you ask Him to, Arty?"

"Why, yes," he replied, "didn't you?"

"But it wasn't filled," reasoned the teacher.

"Yes; but I waited for Him in my heart, for I thought maybe His time was not as quick as ours."

O, if only we could remember, when tempted to fret about delayed blessings that our Father's time may not be as quick as ours!"

The Nativity.

*Novus rex, novalex,
Nova natalicia;
Novus dux, nova lux,
Nova fit letitia.*

— Old Hymn.

Night of wonder, night of glory,
Night all solemn and serene,
Night of old prophetic story,
Such as time has never seen:
Sweetest darkness, softest blue,
That these fair skies ever knew.

Night of beauty, night of gladness,
Night of night—of nights the best.
Not a cloud to speak of sadness,
Not a star but sings of rest:
Holy midnight, beaming peace,
Never shall thy radiance cease.

Happy city, dearest, fairest,
Blessed, blessed Bethlehem!
Least, yet greatest, noblest, rarest,
Judah's ever sparkling gem;
Out of thee there comes a light
That dispelleth all our night.

Now thy King to thee descendeth,
Born upon a woman's knee:
To thy gates his steps he bendeth,
To the manger cometh he;
David's Lord and David's Son,
This his cradle and his throne.

He, the lowliest of the lowly,
To our sinful world has come;
He, the holiest of the holy,
Cannot find a human home.
All for us he yonder lies,
All for us he lives and dies.

Babe of weakness, child of glory,
At thy cradle thus we bow;
Poor and sad thy earthly story,
Yet the King of glory thou;
By all heaven and earth adored,
David's Son and David's Lord.

Light of life, thou liest yonder,
Shining in thy heavenly love;
Naught from thee our souls shall sunder,
Naught from us shall thee remove.
Take these hearts, and let them be
Throne and cradle both to thee!

— Horatius Bonar.

He that cannot forgive others, breaks the bridge over which he must pass himself.

The man of inordinate ambition to become great, or wealthy, or popular, whatever may be his sphere of activity or labor, often misses the mark, either in word or deed, by being overzealous in reaching the end of his desires.

How to Live.

So strive to live that every hour,
May die as the natural flower,—
A self-reviving thing of power;
That every thought and every deed
May hold within itself the seed
Of future good and future need.

'Tis sweet to think, when struggling on
The goal of life to win,
That just beyond the shores of time,
The better years begin.

Sermonizing and Preaching.

The true sermon must be conceived in the spirit of prayer, constructed by the force of concentrated thought and vitalized by the fire of the Holy Spirit. It is well to seek the occasion therefore in the congregation, the substance in the Holy Scriptures and the illustrations in nature. Nor must it be forgotten that a sermon is neither a literary essay, nor a philosophical dissertation, nor a popular platform lecture. This fact, however, it seems has not yet been discovered by some ministers, which at times becomes painfully evident in their pulpit efforts.

Moreover, preaching, to be in harmony with the divine conception of the gospel message and the economy of grace, must be more than elegant oratory or rhetoric. Preaching in the true gospel sense is the faithful presentation of God's truth to the souls of men, with the purpose of pointing out the way of salvation, and of making bad people good and good people better.

Precocious Young Men.

Klopstock began his "Messiah" at the age of seventeen. Thomas Moore began to write poems at the age of fourteen. The poet Southey began to write verses before he was eleven. Schiller wrote and published a poem on Moses when fourteen. Henry Kirk White published a volume of poems at seventeen. Dickens had produced "Pickwick Papers" before he was twenty-five. Bryant's "Thanatopsis" was published before he was twenty. Shakespeare wrote "Hamlet" when he was only thirty-six. Bulwer Lytton, Bayard Taylor, and the poet Keats were successful magazine writers at eighteen years of age. Fitz-Greene Halleck's best verses were penned when he was between fourteen and seventeen years of age.

Poems by Chaucer were known and read before he had reached his twelfth year, and Leigh Hunt made a stir at the age of thirteen.

Judge Story was at Harvard at fifteen, in Congress at twenty-nine, and Judge of the Supreme Court of the United States at thirty-nine.

Daniel Webster was in college at fifteen, gave evidence of his future greatness at twenty-five, and was the peer of the ablest man in Congress at thirty.

Whitsunday.

This day comes on the day of the ancient Pentecost, and therefore is frequently so called. It commemorates the advent or descent of the Holy Ghost. It was called White Sunday abbreviated to Whit Sunday, because anciently those baptized and confirmed appeared on that day in white garments. Coming at the season when all nature is clothed in beauty and loveliness, it reminds us of the work of the Holy Ghost in human hearts, which own his power and accept his quickening and sanctifying grace. Let all devoutly sing and pray,

"Come Holy Spirit, heavenly Dove,
With all thy quick'ning pow'rs,
Come shed abroad a Savior's love,
And that shall kindle ours."

United States Government.

The Government of the United States, which became fully organized under the Constitution in 1789, was divided into three distinct branches or departments, viz: 1. The Legislature, 2. the Executive, and 3, the Judicial.

1. The Legislative Department consists of the Congress, or House of Representatives and the Senate. The House consists of 356 members elected for two years by the people, and the Senate of 88 members elected for six years by the respective state legislatures. The salary of each is \$6,000 per year.

2. The Executive Department consists of the President and his Cabinet Officers, and other officers appointed by the President and confirmed by the Senate.

3. The Judicial Department consists of nine Judges, who continue in office during good behavior or life, and who constitute the Supreme Court of the United States. The salary of the Chief Justice per year is \$10,500, and that of the Associate Justices each \$10,000.

THE subject of this sketch Bro. Ernest B. Saure, Reformed missionary in China, whose picture in native Chinese costume, we are enabled to present to our readers through the kindness of Bro. Stern of our city, was born and received his early education in Cincinnati, O. Bereft of his noble father, Rev. Conrad Saure, the founder of Salem's Reformed Church, when only about six years old, the task of training was left almost altogether to his pious mother, who with diligence, sincerity, and many prayers attended to this task. Having completed the course in the public schools in Cincinnati, the young brother Saure was engaged in commercial pursuits for several years. He then went to Bloomfield, N. J., where he completed the full college course and entered the seminary there. Before he had finished the theological course he felt that his Master was calling him to go to that benighted far-off country, China, and preach the blessed tidings of salvation in Jesus Christ.

Our church having no mission of its own in China, he placed himself at the disposal of the China Inland Mission. He was accepted, and sailed for China in January, 1895, and is now busily engaged in learning the extremely difficult Chinese language and doing what evangelistic work he is able to do in and about Gan King, China.

As far as we know he is the only missionary from our church in China. Others are willing to follow. Will not our church support them by prayers and offerings?

PALESTINE AS SEEN IN MODERN ENTERPRISE.—The progress of modern enterprise in Palestine is very considerable. The Jerusalem and Jaffa Railroad is almost ready for travelers. Three American locomotives are on hand. Outside of the Damascus gate of Jerusalem, an electric light is erected. A telegraph pole may



Rev. Ernest B. Saure.

be seen in some of the photographs of Jacobs' well. A steam mill sends out its puffs and jets near Nazareth. The tide, though slow, is moving onward.

Institutions.

The principal institutions of the Reformed Church in the United States are the following: Franklin and Marshall College and Theological Seminary, at Lancaster, Pa., Heidelberg University and Theological Seminary, Tiffin, Ohio, Ursinus College and Theological Department, Collegeville, Pa., Mission House, including College and Seminary, Franklin, Wis., Catawba College, Newton, N. C., Wichita University, Wichita, Kan., College of St. Joseph, St. Joseph, Mo., and College of Northern Illinois, Dakota, Ill. Also a Female Seminary at Allentown, Pa., and at Frederick, Md.



Rev. S. Ezra Neikirk.

THE subject of this sketch is the pastor of the First Reformed Church, of Hamilton, Ohio. The Reformed interests in this city are quite valuable; the church is under the care of the Board of Home Missions and the outlook is bright. The church property has just been improved by the addition of a well appointed Sunday-school room, kitchen and pastor's study and the auditorium newly frescoed and refitted with carpets and altar furniture.

Bro. Neikirk is of old Dutch Reformed stock, tracing his lineage to *Guert Cornelissen Von Nieuwerkerke*, who landed at New Amsterdam, in 1659. Graduating from Heidelberg University in 1891 and from the Theological Seminary in 1895, he accepted a call from the church he now serves. In addition to his pastoral work, he is a member of the city Y. M. C. A. Board of Directors, is the President both of the Hamilton City and the Butler County Christian Endeavor Unions, delivers occasional lectures and contributes to current literature.

Moderation is the silken string running through the pearl of all virtues.—*Bishop Hall.*

Reformed Church Government.

The government of the Reformed Church in the United States, in contradistinction from Papal, Episcopal, Congregational and Independent, is *Presbyterial*. The four several judicatories or courts, from the lowest to the highest, are: 1. The *Consistory*, consisting of the ministers, elders and deacons of a congregation, and has the supervision of the affairs of the congregation. 2. The *Classis*, which consists of the ministers within a certain geographical district, and a delegated elder from each pastoral charge therein, possessing authority to supervise its ministers and churches, to adjudicate all cases brought before it by appeal or complaint from the consistories, to license and ordain candidates for the ministry, etc. 3. The *Synod*, which is composed of a number of classes, not less than four, and has the same jurisdiction over them that they have over the consistories, meets annually in convention or as a delegated body. The synods are also authorized to make provision for the preparation of young men for the ministry, and to carry forward the work of missions, of beneficiary education, of theological seminaries, and of other general interests of the church. 4. The *General Synod*, which is composed of ministers and elders elected by all the classes, is the highest or supreme court, representing the whole church, and is the court of last resort in all cases respecting the government, doctrine and cultus of the church. It meets triennially.

Elders and Deacons.

Much depends upon the piety, intelligence and activity of a consistory, to give inspiration and prosperity to a congregation. Yet some congregations elect careless and inefficient men to the office of elder and deacon, with a view of thereby making them more consecrated and active. This is bad policy, as well as unwise and unscriptural. The tendency will be downward instead of upward. Let the best men in the congregation be sought out and consecrated to these high and holy offices. By this course an efficient consistory will be secured, and the prosperity of the congregation promoted.

Growth and Triumph of Christianity.

Over 1,800 years ago Jesus Christ, after having gathered about him a few publicans and fisherman, and commissioned them to preach his gospel, died in the hands of his enemies. The principles of truth he taught and through these chosen few proclaimed to the world, were to be understood and practised everywhere, and the principles of all governments were to be brought in harmony with his word. His disciples or apostles began their work in Jerusalem, and stern opposition met them here and elsewhere. But notwithstanding, the new religion diffused its blessings among the cities of Asia, the islands of Greece, the palaces of imperial Rome, over the deserts of Arabia and the continent of Europe, and gained conquest among the different nations of the earth.

And today, through active and united missionary effort, and the general circulation of the Bible translated into over 300 different languages, the gospel standard is planted on every shore, with the "dark continents" opened to the heralds of salvation, and the gospel is proclaimed to the ends of the earth. Thus Christianity, under divine direction, has verily become the living faith of civilization, and the universal religion of the world being the power of God unto salvation and glory.

The following tabular statement will give a proximate idea of the growth and triumph of Christianity through all the centuries. The number of believers or Christians at the close of each century was as follows:

CENTURY.	ABOUT.	CENTURY.	ABOUT.
First,	500,000	Eleventh,	70,000,000
Second,	2,000,000	Twelfth,	80,000,000
Third,	5,000,000	Thirteenth,	75,000,000
Fourth,	10,000,000	Fourteenth,	90,000,000
Fifth,	15,000,000	Fifteenth,	100,000,000
Sixth,	20,000,000	Sixteenth,	125,000,000
Seventh,	24,000,000	Sevent'nth,	155,000,000
Eighth,	30,000,000	Eighteenth	200,000,000
Ninth,	40,000,000	Nineteenth	500,000,000
Tenth,	50,000,000		

With respect to governments under Christian laws and influence: under Protestant governments there are now 520,103,190 souls, under

Roman Catholic 294,822,264, while the Eastern Church (Greek) has 127,975,823, making a total under Christian governments of 290,901,277 of the 1,500,000,000 population of the world.

Church Statistics.

According to the recent publication of the census reports respecting the churches in the United States, the following interesting facts are developed:

There are 143 distinct denominations in the United States, besides some independent churches and miscellaneous congregations; 111,036 ministers; 165,117 congregations; 142,521 church edifices with seating capacity for 43,564,803 persons; value of all church property \$679,630,139; and 20,612,806 communicants. It also appears that from 1810 to 1894 the Christian people of America contributed \$101,561,964 for foreign missions, and 1820 to 1894 \$138,893,303 for home missions. The receipts of the religious publication houses of the evangelical churches of the United States from 1881 to 1894 were \$55,475,277.

INFIDELITY A FAILURE.—What has infidelity done for the redemption or welfare of the world? Echo, asks what? Infidelity has really done nothing for the betterment of the world. It has built no temples, erected no institutions of learning, originated no science, organized no charities, established no orphans' homes, liberated no slaves, pioneered no new countries for civilization, never created a single virtue, nor kindled a star of hope, nor aided in promoting truth and righteousness in the world. Its theories have become exploded, its schemes of warfare against christianity prove failures, and its attempts of disproving the Bible have been abandoned. And why all this? Because God is not recognized and divine truth is ignored. Yes, infidelity is a failure.

Men are nothing compared with principles; for men are here today, and then are gone. But principles, ideas, measures live for all time.

It is not he that reads most, but he that meditates most on Divine truth, that will prove the choicest, the wisest, and the strongest Christian.

Brief Historic Sketch.

THE Grace Reformed Church was organized May 13, 1883. The lot of ninety-five feet, on East Washington Street, where the church edifice and parsonage are now located, was purchased June 13, 1883, at a cost of \$4,000. Later thirty-five feet on the east side of the lot were sold for \$1,500, and repurchased April 1, 1888, for \$1,800. The lecture rooms of the church were erected in the summer of 1884, at a cost of nearly \$4,000. The parsonage on the east part of the lot was built in the summer of 1889, at a cost of \$2,125. The new church building was begun April 1, 1894. The corner stone was laid June 3, 1894. The church, as it is, completed and equipped, cost \$15,000. The dedication of the new and handsome edifice took place Sabbath, April 21, 1895, under very auspicious circumstances. The building is a monument to the energy and untiring zeal of pastor and people. It has been very highly spoken of by the citizens of Fort Wayne as well as visitors from abroad who have seen it. The congregation can congratulate itself upon the progress it has made, and the work which has been done. The church has a very hopeful future before it, and with persistent and united effort, and confidence in the Lord, it will be able to do efficient work for the Master.

Alertness and Attention.

The attitude of the body in the church is indicative of the condition of the mind and heart for worship. To assume a lazy and indifferent attitude of body in the house of God during service—such as lounging, or putting the head on the back of the pew, or leaning sideways to engage in undertone whispers—exhibits



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a spirit of indifference and irreverence, detracting from the solemnity of the sanctuary, and bad manners in the sight of men. Don't be guilty of such conduct. It is wrong in itself, it robs you of the benefit of the service, and sets a very bad example to the worldly who sometimes find their way into the church.



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Legacies and Bequests.

The custom of making a last "Will and Testament" is of high antiquity, and also has Scriptural precedents or examples. (Gen. 15; 18; Prov. 3: 9 and 10; Malachi 3: 10 and 11; Gal. 4: 2). In the earlier history of our church in this country, as well as in later years, such gifts or bequests have been made to the church. And in the progress of things, such gifts, legacies or bequests are at present needed more than ever to meet the wants of the church, and of her benevolent, literary and theological institutions. This is necessary to keep pace with the progress of the material world, and to insure enlarged success under the Divine blessing. The appeal goes out especially to those possessed of large means. What have you concluded to do? Have you decided to make an ample contribution while living? Or have you already made your Will? Have you absolutely determined in either way to remember the claims of God and the needs of the church and her institutions? "Now" is the accepted time.

Church Records.

The history of congregations is important, as the facts derived therefrom furnish valuable material for a history of the church in general. In view of this, pastors and congregations should constantly strive to keep their records with care and exactness. Baptisms, confirmations, marriages and deaths should be entered in the church book. Let this be done regularly, and with care as to facts, names and dates. So with respect to any fact or event of interest or importance. Neglect or indifference is bad, censurable.

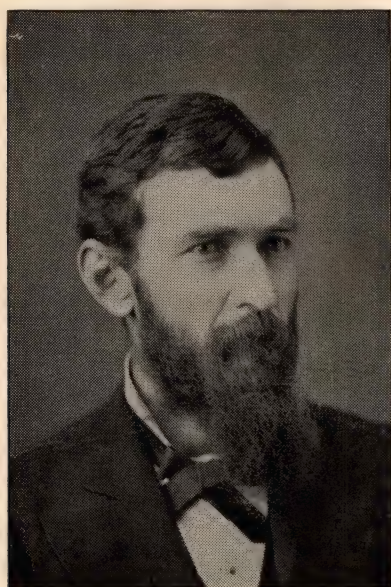
New Year is Here.

We wish all our readers a happy and prosperous New Year!

The parting knell of the Old Year has been heard, and it is gone. Be thankful for the blessings and mercies it bestowed, and cherish its memory.

The New Year with a cheery smile and nimble tread has come! Give it a hearty welcome with a buoyant spirit and animated hope. We know not what its successive days may bring forth, but be assured that it will be another "year of the Lord," moving forward under His superintending care and accomplishing His wise and gracious purposes respecting the kingdom of Christ and the redemption of the world. The forces of good and evil are at work. The conflict continues. Take your stand on the side of God—of truth and righteousness. Strive to improve on the past. Do more and better work in the future. Be ready for duty when the Master calls. And thus it will prove a prosperous and happy year in the Lord, whatever the events and vicissitudes of life!

"WHAT THINK YE OF CHRIST?"—In Him centers all that is excellent, true, wise, perfect and glorious. Is Christ to you all this? Do you see in him, along with the highest moral qualities, true wisdom? Not merely salvation, forgiveness, life, but wisdom—wisdom the highest, the truest, the noblest ever trusted by you? Or have you some other Christ? As pleasure, world, wealth, literature, science, romance? Bear in mind that Christ is the wisdom of God and the only Savior!



Prof. Christian Hornung.

GRADUATED from Heidelberg College in the year 1868. Served his Alma Mater as tutor in mathematics, Latin and German for one year, 1868-9. Was elected to the chair of mathematics in Heidelberg College in June 1869. Has served the institution in this capacity continuously up to the present time, with the exception of two years, 1877-8 and 1894-5, which he spent on leave of absence for the benefit of his health. During the year 1877-8, as well as during several vacations before and after this year, he was engaged in the practice of surveying and drainage leveling for the counties of Henry, Defiance, Lucas and Putnam, Ohio, with the utmost benefit to his health and the practical side of his education. During the year 1894-5, besides attending to the settlement of his father's estate, as administrator, and spending a week or two at the opening and closing of each term of the University, he gained valuable practice in another branch of engineering by assisting a hydraulic engineer in making plans, drawings and specifications for water works and sewers and superintending the construction of the same. Improved in health he is at his post again.

Read the Good.

It is said that "as a man readeth so is he." There is much truth in this declaration. There are perhaps 20,000 periodicals, including daily, weekly and monthly, published in the United States. If all these publications, to say nothing of the numerous books printed, were issued in the interest of truth and righteousness, they would soon win our country to Christianity and moral power. But among these publications there are good, indifferent and positively bad ones—trash! Hence avoid the bad and seek the good. Yea, read the good, whether periodicals or books, which are morally pure and instructive, and tend to unfold Christian and ennobling virtues, and result in usefulness, happiness and a glorious destiny!

What Has Woman Done?

Much that is good in the home, the church and the state, and she has brought love into law, justice into institutions, ethics into politics, and refinement into the common life. Our civilization is rising into higher levels, religious and charitable aids increased, and reforms have become possible that hitherto were impracticable.

Truthfulness.

Nothing so vindicates the character of a person as truthfulness in all that is said or done, at all times and under all circumstances. This is the safest and best course. It is a sad fact that men, even in high places and sacred positions, do not always abide by the truth. Always tell the truth and fulfill your promises. A liar, a prevaricator, a dissembler, a hypocrite, is despised of God and disliked of honest men.

UNPARDONABLE SINS.—There are persons who are much concerned about the "unpardonable sins." Such concern or trouble is of little or no avail. Be assured, that if you are in this condition, the best thing for you to do, is to be concerned about sins which are pardonable, and then you will have no need to concern yourself about the one sin that is not.



Prof. P. Calvin Mensch.

PCALVIN MENSCH, Professor of Biology at Ursinus College, was born at Sellersville, Pa., June 13, 1864. He became a student at Ursinus College in 1883, and in 1887 was graduated with the A. B. degree. He then entered Bellevue Hospital Medical College, New York, for the purpose of taking a course in medicine, which course he completed in 1889, receiving from that institution the degree of M. D. Subsequently he spent a short time as a student at the New York Post-Graduate Medical School and in the fall of 1889 became a student at Grant University, Tenn. In 1891 he received the degree of Ph. D. from the latter institution. At the same time he was elected to the chair of Natural History at New Windsor College, Md. This position he held until the following year when he entered Johns Hopkins University for the purpose of continuing the study of biology. After completing a year's work at Johns Hopkins he was chosen Dean of Claremont College, N. C. This position he accepted but retained it only a few months for in January, 1894, he was called to Ursinus College to take charge of the department of Biology at that in-

stitution, which position he still holds. Under the charge of Dr. Mensch the Biological Laboratory has been thoroughly equipped and the different courses of this department have been made equal to the best courses offered by any of our colleges. During the summer of 1895 he was one of the students of investigation at the Marine Biological Laboratory, Woods' Holl, Mass. While there, besides devoting himself to his own individual work he made a large collection of marine animals and plants for use in the laboratory at Ursinus. Since the establishing of this department graduates of the college who have pursued this course are admitted to the second year of any of our medical colleges without examination, and in addition the Hahne-mann Medical College has offered a free scholarship each year for the graduate who has attained the highest standing in this course.

True Honesty.

The prevailing mode of contributing funds for church or benevolent enterprises is either by cash or subscription. Either will answer the purpose to secure the end in view. But it sometimes happens that persons subscribe money to build or repair a church, or to support a pastor or to endow an institution, and afterwards forget, neglect or refuse to pay the amount subscribed. Is this honest or right? Calmly and seriously think about the matter in the fear of God, and then decide. Be honest and do your whole duty.

THE GREATEST OF ALL.—Who is truly great? He only is great at *heart* who floods the world with a great affection. He only is great of *mind* who stirs the world with great thoughts. He only is great of *will* who does something to shape the world to a great career. And he is greatest who does the most of *all* these things and does them *best*.

THE MIGHTIEST FORCE.—The mightiest force in the world is the Christian faith in the human soul. It is invincible as it puts Christ in the soul as a living principle, as a supernatural force, as an abiding presence, and as an almighty power. The true believer can therefore say: "I live, yet not I, but Christ that liveth in me;" and "I know, whom I have believed."

Main Events in the Church.

From September 1, 1894, to August 31, 1895.

1894.

- SEPTEMBER 15, 16.** Centennial Celebration of St. John's Reformed Church, Sinking Spring, Berks Co., Pa., Rev. W. J. Kerschner, pastor.
- September 16.** Dedication of new Reformed Church at Long Run, Armstrong Co., Pa., Rev. C. E. Creitz, pastor.
- September 16.** Dedication of Bethany Reformed Church at Delmont, South Dakota, Rev. H. Teichrieb, pastor.
- September 30.** Dedication of new Reformed Church at Bromly, Ky.
- OCTOBER 7.** Dedication of the Reformed Church at Berne, Minn.
- October 7.** Rededication of Reformed Church at West Alexandria, O., Rev. R. Keller, pastor.
- October 7.** Dedication of St. Paul's Reformed Church at Grafton, Pa., Rev. H. E. Jones, pastor.
- October 20.** Corner-stone laying of White Marsh Reformed Church at Fort Washington, Pa.
- October 20.** Rededication of St. John's Reformed Church at Slatington, Pa., Rev. N. F. Peters, pastor.
- October 20.** Corner-stone laying of Reformed Church at Lansdale, Pa., Rev. M. J. Roth, pastor.
- October 28.** Dedication of new Reformed Church at Penbrook, Pa., Rev. F. L. Kerr, pastor.
- October 28.** Rededication of Reformed Church at New Goshenhoppen, Pa., Rev. G. B. Walbert, pastor.
- NOVEMBER 4.** Dedication of Bethany Reformed Church at Ephrata, Pa., Rev. F. Pilgram, pastor.
- November 4.** Dedication of St. Mark's Reformed Church at New Hamburg, Pa., Rev. A. M. Keifer, pastor.
- November 11.** Corner-stone laying of new Calvary Reformed Church at Lima, O., Rev. Irwin F. Wagner, pastor.
- November 13.** Death of Rev. Franklin K. Levan, D. D., at Wilkesbarre, Pa., aged 63 years, 3 months and 28 days.
- November 18.** Dedication of the Annex of St. Mark's Reformed Church in Reading, Pa., Rev. H. Y. Stoner, pastor.
- DECEMBER 2.** Dedication of Trinity Reformed Church at Dayton, O., Rev. C. E. Miller, pastor.
- December 9.** Dedication of new Chapel at East Greenville, Pa., Rev. G. B. Walbert, pastor.
- December 9.** Dedication of new "Union" Church in N. W. Schuylkill Co., Pa., Rev. I. M. Schaeffer, pastor.
- December 14.** Zion's Reformed Church at Canfield, Ohio, destroyed by fire. Rev. F. E. Lauffer, pastor.
- December 16.** Dedication of St. John's Reformed Church at Shamokin, Pa., Rev. C. B. Schneder, pastor.
- December 18.** Death of Rev. Henry L. Gerhart (licentiate 1873) at North Wales, Pa.
- December 26.** Rev. Wm. E. Hoy, missionary at Sendai, Japan, left Japan December 7, and after nineteen days' travel arrived at Carlisle, Pa., December 26.
- December 30.** Rededication of Trinity Reformed Church of Tulpehocken, Pa., Rev. H. J. Welker, pastor.
- December 30.** Dedication of Reformed Church, Leighton, Iowa, Rev. F. M. Shults, pastor.

1895.

- FEBRUARY 24.** Dedication of new Sunday-school Annex of Salem Reformed Church, Allentown, Pa., Rev. G. W. Richards, pastor.
- February 27.** Death of Rev. Adam Hawker at his home about four miles east of Dayton, O., aged 81 years, 3 months and 26 days.
- MARCH 3.** Dedication of new Reformed Church at Edinburg, Ill., Rev. C. F. Althouse, pastor.

March 24. Celebration of twenty-fifth anniversary of ordination of Rev. Frederick W. Berlen an, D. D., pastor of Salem Reformed Church, Philadelphia, Pa.

APRIL 6. Dedication of St. John's Reformed Church, Union Township, Crawford Co., Pa., Rev. T. S. Land, pastor.

April 7. Dedication of Grace Reformed Church at Akron, O., after being enlarged at a cost of \$10,000, Rev. E. R. Willard, pastor.

April 7. Dedication of the Reformed Church at Kenton, O., after being enlarged at a cost of \$3,000. Rev. P. Ruhl, pastor.

April 12. Death of Rev. Henry W. Hoffmeier at Middletown, Md., aged 62 years, 3 months.

April 17. Annual Commencement of Heidelberg Theological Seminary, Tiffin, O. Ten graduates.

April 21. Dedication of the First Reformed Church at New Philadelphia, O., Rev. J. B. Rust, pastor.

April 21. Dedication of Grace Reformed Church in Fort Wayne, Ind., Rev. A. K. Zartman, pastor.

April 26. Commencement of Theological Department of Ursinus College, Collegeville, Pa. Four graduates.

April 28. Dedication of St. Paul's Reformed Church at Roanoke, Va., Rev. Lewis Reiter, pastor.

MAY 5. Dedication of Christ Reformed Church at Hagerstown, Md., Rev. G. A. Snyder, pastor.

May 5. Dedication of St. Paul's Reformed Church at West Hazelton, Pa., Rev. C. H. Herbst, pastor.

May 8. Death of Rev. Jacob Matter at Ottenheim, Ky.

May 9. Annual Commencement of Theological Seminary, Lancaster, Pa. Twenty graduates.

May 19. Dedication of new church at Pavia, Pa., Rev. S. U. Waugaman, pastor.

May 19. Dedication of Zoar Reformed Church, Watertown, Wis.

May 19. Dedication of new Reformed Church, East Homer, O., Rev. S. E. Klopfenstein, pastor.

May 26. Dedication of Grace Reformed Church at Avon, Pa., Rev. H. J. Welker, pastor.

May 26. Dedication of Emanuel's Reformed Church, Lansford, Pa., Rev. M. J. Roth, pastor.

JUNE 2. Dedication of Zion's (Klinger's) Church ("Union") in Dauphin Co., Pa., Rev. O. F. Schaeffer, pastor.

June 5. Commencement exercises of Mercersburg College, Mercersburg, Pa.

June 9. Corner-stone laying of new Reformed Church at Salzburg, Pa., Rev. D. H. Leader, pastor.

June 10. Death of Rev. Peter J. Spangler at Farmer, Ohio, aged 80 years, 11 months and 21 days.

June 13. Annual commencement of Franklin and Marshall College Lancaster, Pa. Twenty-eight graduates.

June 15. Death of Rev. Orange E. Lake at Holton, Kansas, aged 57 years, 8 months and 7 days.

June 20. Corner-stone laying of new Reformed Church at Canfield, O., Rev. F. E. Lauffer, pastor.

June 20. Corner-stone laying of new Trinity Reformed Church at Glen Rock, Pa., Rev. Gerney Weber, pastor.

June 20. Annual commencement of Heidelberg University, Tiffin, O. Twelve graduates.

June 20. Annual commencement of Ursinus College, Collegeville, Pa. Eight graduates.

June —. Annual commencement of Mission House, Franklin, Wis. Sixteen graduates in college and seven in theological seminary.

June 28. Third commencement exercises of the Tohoku Gakuin at Sendai, Japan. Six graduates from the Theological Department, and five from the Preparatory and Collegiate Department.

June 30. Rededication of St. Paul's Reformed Church at Imogene, Iowa, Rev. J. F. Butler, pastor.

JULY 9. Death of Rev. Samuel H. Phillips, Durham, Pa., aged 32 years, 1 month and 6 days.

July 14. Corner-stone laying of new Reformed Church at Abbotstown, Pa., Rev. P. E. Heimer, pastor.

July 14. Dedication of new Reformed Chapel at Scranton, Pa., Rev. W. H. Stubblebine, pastor.

July 21. Death of Rev. Calvin U. Heilman, Greencastle, Pa., aged 54 years and 8 months.

July 28. Dedication of new Reformed Church at Waukon, Iowa, Rev. Ernst Kunst, pastor.

July 30. Corner-stone laying of Zion's Reformed Church at Warren, O., Rev. C. W. Brugh, pastor.

AUGUST 4. Corner-stone laying of Fourth Reformed Church at Harrisburg, Pa., Rev. M. H. Sangree, pastor.

August 25. Death of Rev. John H. Leinbach at Reading, Pa., aged 42 years, 8 months and 11 days.

August 25. Corner-stone laying of the Memorial Reformed Church of Dayton, O., Rev. Geo. W. Williard, D. D., LL.D., pastor.

NECROLOGY.

Ministers of the Reformed Church in the United States who have died during the year intervening between September 1, 1894, and August 31, 1895.

REV. ADAM HAWKER, was born in Montgomery Co., O., November 1, 1813, and died at his home February 27, 1895, aged 81 years, 3 months and 26 days. For many years he was a devoted member and faithful elder of the church, and when advanced in years with limited preparations, entered the ministry. He was licensed and ordained by Miami Classis in 1872, and for some years served the Mt. Carmel and Pisgah Congregations, with fidelity and acceptance. In later years because of infirmity of age he lived retired on his farm. He was a sincere and devoted Christian, zealous in good works, sustained an unblemished character, generally respected, and has gone to his blessed reward. Funeral March 2d, and remains were laid to rest in the cemetery at Hawker's Church.

REV. CALVIN U. HEILMAN, was born in Heilmansdale, Lebanon Co., Pa., November 24, 1840, and died at Petersburg, Huntingdon Co., Pa., July 24, 1895, aged 54 years and 8 months. Baptized February 17, 1844, and confirmed in youth as a member of the Reformed Church. In 1862 he graduated from Franklin and Marshall College and in 1864 from the Theological Seminary. Licensed in 1864 and ordained August 10, 1865. Assistant pastor for a while to Rev. H. Heckerman, at Bedford, Pa. Then pastor of the following charges: St. Clairsville, Pa., 1865-'71; Financial Agent of Franklin and Marshall College, 1874-'75; Paradise Charge, Somerset Co., Pa., 1885-'75; Water Street, Huntingdon Co., Pa., 1885-'93; Greencastle, Pa., 1893-'95. Married October 21, 1869, to Miss Mary D. Melville, who with three children survive him. During his ministry he built five churches and repaired five. He was an active and faithful minister, and accomplished a good work in the service of the Lord. His funeral took place on the 26th, inst., and his remains were laid to rest with appropriate services in the cemetery at the Hill Church four miles north of Lebanon, Pa.

REV. ORANGE E. LAKE, A. M., was born in Wayne Co., O., October 8, 1837, and died at Holton, Kansas, June 15, 1895, aged 57 years, 8 months and 7 days. Educated at Haskell's Academy 1858-'59, and Vermillion Institute at Haysville, O., 1859-'63. Heidelberg Theological Seminary, Tiffin, O., 1863-'65. Licensed May 3, and ordained May 23, 1865, by Sandusky Classis. Charges served: Reedsburg, O., May 1865 to December 31, 1866. Shelbyville, Ill., 1867-'70. Mohicanville, O., 1870-'74. Glade, Md., 1874-'79. Shelby, O., 1880-'87. Connected with Congregational Church 1887-'92, serving Mound City and Fairview, Kan. Without charge about one year, residing at Powhattan, Kansas. In January 1894 he again resumed work in the Reformed Church at Holton, Kansas, and continued there to the close of life. He was married three times. 1. Miss Sarah E. Burnside; 2. Miss Laura Mish; 3. Miss Lily Zimmerman. His third

wife and three daughters survive him. He was a good student, acceptable preacher, devoted in his sacred calling, and faithful Christian. Funeral on 17, and services conducted by Rev. H. Shumaker. Remains laid to rest at Holton.

REV. HENRY W. HOFFMEIER, son of Rev. Charles F. Hoffmeier, was born at Lancaster, Pa., Dec. 26, 1832, and died at Middletown, Md., April 12, 1895, aged 62 years, 3 months and 16 days. In early life, having become a member of the Reformed Church, he engaged in the drug business, but for some years felt impressed that his real life work lay in the sphere of the ministry. Hence in 1865 entered the Theological Seminary at Mercersburg, Pa., and completed his course in 1868. Licensed and ordained in 1868. Served the following charges: Yellow Creek in Bedford, Co., Pa.; Mill Creek in Shenandoah Co., Va.; Zion's Valley, in Armstrong Co., Pa. Then agent for Reformed Church Publication Board. In 1880 became proprietor of the Valley Drug Store at Middletown, Md., and continued till 1894. Last 18 months in feeble health, and finally passed away in peace to his eternal rest. Funeral 15th inst. Interred in cemetery at Reformed Church.

REV. JACOB MATTER, was born at Koelliken, Canton Argau, Switzerland, February 2, 1838, and died at Ottenheim, Ky., May 8, 1895, aged 57 years, 3 months and 6 days. Reared in a Christian family, and united with the Reformed Church in 1854. Fair primary education. Early impressed with the idea of the ministry, but because of adverse circumstances, delayed some years. Meanwhile, however, in connection with his trade as watch maker, became variously engaged in religious activities. In 1878 he went to Canada and co-operated with a religious colony, which however afterwards proved a failure. He then went to Minnesota, and taught school at Dahlgreen. During this time prepared for the ministry under private instruction of Rev. Ochsner. Licensed and ordained in 1883. Supplied the charge of Rev. Ochsner during his absence in Switzerland. Then pastor at Garner, Iowa; Elk Rapids, Mich.; Zion's, Detroit; South West, Ind.; Boeger's Store, Mo.; Ottenheim, Ky., which was his last charge. He suffered much, but departed in peace. He was a sincere, devoted and faithful servant of the Lord. His wife died a short time before. He is survived by an adult daughter and two sisters, who are connected with the Deaconess Home in Dayton, O.

REV. SAMUEL H. PHILLIPS, son of George W. and Mary Phillips, was born in Northampton Co., Pennsylvania, June 3, 1863, and died in the hospital at Bethlehem, Pa. July 9, 1895, aged 32 years, 1 month and 6 days. Baptized August 6, 1863, and confirmed as a member of the Reformed Church April 19, 1878. Educated at Ursinus College, having entered the Academy in 1880, passing through the college, and graduated from the Theological Department in 1887. Soon after licensed. In the fall of the same year he was ordained by Tohickon Classis, and became pastor of the Durham Charge in Bucks Co., Pa., continuing until his sad death. He was a faithful and efficient minister, beloved by his people, and accomplished a good work. His funeral took place on the 13th inst. at the "Stone Church," and near by his remains were laid to rest with solemn Christian service, attended by a large concourse of people and a number of ministers.

REV. PETER J. SPANGLER, was born in Stark Co., Ohio, June 16, 1814, and died at Farmer, Ohio, June 10, 1895, aged 80 years, 11 months and 24 days. His primary education was limited, and he prepared for the ministry under the private instruction of Rev. George Schlosser during about three years 1842-'45. He was licensed and ordained in 1845 by Sandusky Classis. Served a number of different charges in Ohio and two in Indiana. He was married June 27, 1833 to Miss Catherine Schilling, who died February 20, 1862. Then married January 22, 1863, to Miss Rachel A. Everhard, who, together with nine children, survive him. His life was one of arduous toil, persevering labor, and various hardships. He was an earnest Christian, and a faithful and devoted minister, generally loved and esteemed. He has passed from his toils and afflictions to his eternal rest. His remains were interred in the Lost Creek Cemetery, Farmer Township, Defiance Co., Ohio.

REV. JOHN HIESTER LEINBACH, son of Rev. Aaron S. Leinbach, D. D., was born in Reading, Pa., December 14, 1852, and died at Clinton Heights, Pa., August 25, 1895, aged 42 years, 8 months and 11 days. In 1870 confirmed a member of St. Paul's Reformed Church of Reading. Passed through Reading High School. Graduated from Franklin and Marshall College in 1875 and from the Theological Seminary at Lancaster, Pa., in 1878. Ordained by Lebanon Classis in 1878. Assistant pastor to his father about two years. In 1881 he became pastor of the St. Paul's Reformed Church at Kutztown, Pa., and also for some years supplied the Amityville Congregation; later also in connection, served the St. Peter's Congregation at Moselem. Continued pastor of the St. Paul's and St. Peter's Congregations to the close of life. Officiated in English and German. Efficient and successful in his work. Because of affliction, by medical advice, he was recently removed to Burn Brae Sanatorium, at Clifton Heights, where he died in the Lord. Funeral on Friday the 30th, at Reading, where his remains were laid to rest with appropriate religious services.

REV. FRANKLIN K. LEVAN, D. D., was born in Maxatawny, Berks Co., Pa., July 15, 1831, and died at Wilkesbarre, Pa., November 13, 1894, aged 63 years, 3 months and 28 days. Educated at the institutions of Mercersburg, Pa., and graduated from Franklin and Marshall College in 1853 and from the Theological Seminary in 1856. Licensed in October 1856 and ordained in May 1857. He was for some years principal of Westmoreland Collegiate Institute, and subsequently pastor of different pastoral charges in Western Pennsylvania. In 1870 elected superintendent of Missions in Pittsburgh Synod. In 1873 became superintendent of the Tri Synodic Board of Home Missions, controlled by the Eastern, Pittsburgh, and Potomac Synods, and served until 1877. In 1878 he became pastor of Zion's Reformed Church in Wilkesbarre; and served it with much success to the close of life, aiding and assisting in establishing other congregations in the vicinity. Meanwhile also contributed articles for the church papers, and was during the last three years of his life chief editor of the *Messenger*. He was scholarly, devoted and active, as pastor and writer. Being faithful unto the end, he has gone to his rest. He was married to Miss Sallie Ermentrout, who with three children survive him.

Nicknames of Noted Men.

"Old man eloquent"—John Q. Adams.
 "Pope of Philosophy"—Aristotle B. C. 384-322.
 "Poet of Nature"—William C. Bryant.
 "Bachelor President"—James Buchanan.
 "Father of Greenbacks"—Salmon P. Chase.
 "Mill-boy of the Slashes"—Henry Clay.
 "Glorious Preacher"—John Chrysostom.
 "Little Giant"—Stephen A. Douglas.
 "Poor Richard"—Benjamin Franklin.
 "Prince of Spanish Poetry"—Garcilaso de la Vega 1503-'36.
 "Grand Old Man"—William E. Gladstone.
 "Silent Man"—Ulyses S. Grant.
 "Goldsmith of America"—Washington Irving.
 "Old Hickory"—Andrew Jackson.
 "Mad Yankee"—Elisha Kane.
 "Rail Splitter"—Abraham Lincoln.
 "Black Jack"—John A. Logan.
 "Honest Man"—James Monroe.
 "Silver Tongued Orator"—Wendell Phillips.

"Prince of the Ode"—Peter de Ronsard 1524-'85.

"Wizard of the North"—Sir Walter Scott.

"Little Phil"—Philip Sheridan.

"Old Rough and Ready"—Zachary Taylor.

"Mad Anthony"—Anthony Wayne.

"Black Dan"—Daniel Webster.

"Schoolmaster of our Republic"—Noah Webster.

"Morning Star of the Reformation"—John Wickliffe 1324-'84.

Take Your Children Along.

It is said that after a little boy had read Bunyan's *Pilgrim's Progress* through, he asked his grandmother: "Grandma, which of the characters in this book do you like best?" She at once replied, "Christian, of course; he is the hero of the story."

Thereupon the little boy said, "I like Christiana best; because when Christian set out on his pilgrimage to heaven he went alone, but when Christiana started she took the children with her." That was a good idea clearly expressed. Children should be early brought into covenant relation with God, and taught religious truths at home and in the Sunday-school, become united with the church, and fully prepared through grace for heaven.

Church Going.

Go to church regularly.
 Go at once to your seat.
 Offer up a silent prayer.
 Join in all the services.
 Speak out the words clearly in singing.
 Be not lazy or listless in prayer.
 Take heed how you hear the sermon.
 Be guilty of no act that will disturb others.
 Receive the benediction devoutly.
 Be thankful for the services enjoyed.

The boaster and the worker in contrast. Is it not truism, that the greatest boasters are usually the smallest workers? Just so. Here is an example. The deepest rivers pay a larger tribute of water to the sea than the shallow brooks, and yet empty themselves with less noise.

Alphabetical Register of the Ministers of the Reformed Church in the United States. FOR THE YEAR 1896.

[NOTE.—In order to render this register as valuable as possible, we give not only the name and postoffice address, but also the year of ordination and the place of theological preparation. E stands for Eastern Theological Seminary, formerly Mercersburg, now Lancaster; H for Heidelberg Seminary; MH for Mission House; U for Ursinus College Theological Department; Y for York and Carlisle. We have aimed to make it as correct as possible. Those officiating in the German language, or in both German and English, are marked with an U.]

Accola, Dr. O. J., 934 Byron St., Chicago, Ill.	0H60	Bell, Joseph W., Newburg, Cumb. co., Pa.	U90
Addams, George E., Reading, Pa.	E59	Belser, John W., Upper Sandusky, O.	H94
Aigner, Francis, South Kaukauna, Wis.	MH89	Benner, Henry A. L., Freeland, Luzerne co., Pa.	U91
Albright, D. B., Mohrsville, Berks co., Pa.	0E61	Benner, Louis D., Defiance, Ohio.	MH94
Albright, D. W., 315 Penn St., Reading, Pa.	E90	Bergey, James R., West Milton, Pa.	E94
Albright, George H., New Lisbon, Ohio.	H75	Berkey, Alfred G., Massillon, Ohio.	H86
Albright, John H., Hudson, Ind.	H85	Berleman, Dr. F. W., 341 Fairmont Ave., Phila., Pa.	0H70
Alspach, Charles B., Danville, Pa.	U90	Biegert, J. G., 1316 7th St., Seattle, Wash.	91
Alspach, Clement L., Wilkinsburg, Pa.	H93	Bielfeld, Herman, Frederick, Md.	0E50
Alspach, Joel W., Altamont, Ill.	H62	Biery, John, 805 Hamburg Ave., St. Joseph, Mo.	0H61
Alt, Solomon A., Holton, Kansas.	E84	Binkley, Henry K., New Berlin, Pa.	81
Althouse, Charles F., Edinburg, Ill.	E94	Black, Albert A., Boalsburg, Pa.	E81
Anderson, D. B., Wilton, Iowa.	94	Bleiler, Frank N., Slouaker, Pa.	U94
Andreas, Henry, LaCrosse, Wis.	0MH82	Bloom, Nathan W., Ft. Wayne, Ind.	82
Andrew, James D., Danville, N. C.	93	Blosser, H. C., Orangeville, Ill.	94
Appel, Richard S., Hamburg, Pa.	071	Bogart, Frank G., Waterloo, Ind.	95
Appel, Dr. Theodore, Lancaster, Pa.	E45	Bohler, Jacob, Prairie City, Bates co., Mo.	MH91
Apple, A. T. G., 1405 15 St., N. W., Wash., D. C.	E83	Boley, Adam, Philadelphia, Pa.	0U75
Apple, Henry H., 4123 Powelton Av., Phila., Pa.	E92	Bolger, J. Calvin.	E95
Apple, Dr. Joseph H., Saegerstown, Pa.	E52	Bolliger, Abraham, Avenue City, Andrew co., Mo.	068
Apple, Joseph H., (lic.) Frederick, Md.		Bollman, Wm., Miller St., Buffalo, N. Y.	MH89
Apple, Dr. Thomas G., Lancaster, Pa.	52	Bomberger, H. A., 2345 N. 41 St., Philadelphia, Pa.	U86
Arnold, John, Sutton, Neb.	89	Bomberger, John H., Columbiana, O.	U79
Arpke, William A., Chilton, Wis.	MH92	Bonekemper, Calvin, Scotland, South Dakota.	
Assman, Robert G., 20 N. 42 St., Philadelphia, Pa.	89	Bonekemper, William, Sutton, Neb.	078
Aughinbaugh, Dr. Geo. W., Greenvillage, Pa.	E46	Boomershine, D. Franklin, Maquoketa, Iowa.	E94
Bachman, Adam J., Schaefferstown, Pa.	0E78	Borchers, Conrad, Box 45, Zellenople, Pa.	070
Bachman, Irwin M., East Mauch Chunk, Pa.	U94	Bosch, John H., Fort Wayne, Ind.	E95
Bachman, James N., Lynnpfort, Pa.	0H72	Bower, Thomas J., St. Clair, Pa.	E90
Bachman, Dr. John, 669 Freeman St., Cincinnati, O.	073	Bowling, Robert C., Kittanning, Pa.	E79
Bachman, Dr. M., 202 S. Patterson Park, Balt., Md.	0E64	Bowman, Dr. John C., 414 W. James St., Lancaster, Pa.	E75
Badertscher, Christian, Evansville, Ind.	0MH75	Brandt, Charles H., Bloomsburg, Pa.	U92
Bader, Andrew, Wabash, Minn.	MH86	Braun, Jacob B., Duncan, Neb.	070
Bahner, Franklin F., Waynesboro, Pa.	0E73	Braun, William, Wheeling, W. Va.	077
Baichly, Alpheus E., Canal Fulton, O.	H77	Brendle, Dr. Daniel F., Bethlehem, Pa.	0E51
Bailey, Henry S., Three Rivers, Mich.	H90	Brensinger, Morris H., Fleetwood, Pa.	0U89
Bair, Henry, Forrester, Ill.	0H62	Bretz, John L., Millersburg, Ind.	H82
Baker, Almon G.	E95	Bridenbaugh, S. R., 106 S. 4th St., Reading, Pa.	E75
Bald, Frederick W., Baltimore, Md.	E95	Bright, Harry W., New Kensington, Pa.	E95
Balliet, John T., Middlebrook, Va.	E89	Bromer, A. S., 614 Diamond St., Philadelphia, Pa.	91
Bank, Dr. Charles, New Brunswick, N. J.	0H55	Bromer, Edward S., Orwigsburg, Pa., (Yale).	
Barber, Joseph W., Marmont, Ind.	76	Brown, Franklin W., Aaronsburg, Pa.	MER81
Barkley, Dr. Thomas J., Gettysburg, Pa.	H60	Brown, James R., Rebersburg, Pa.	U90
Barringer, Paul, Heilig's Mills, N. C.	H81	Brown, Simon P., Pillow, Dauphin co., Pa.	E79
Barth, Sebastian, Indianapolis, Ind.	067	Bruchlos, Albert, Holyoke, Mass.	93
Bartholomew, Abraham, Lehigh, Pa.	061	Bruegger, Henry, Greenwood, Wis.	0MH69
Bartholomew, Allen R., Pottsville, Pa.	0E77	Brugger, Louis, Norwood, Minn.	0MH81
Bartholomew, Calvin E., Cressona, Pa.	E89	Brugh, Charles W., Warren, Ohio.	U94
Bassler, Harry N., St. Thomas, Pa.	E94	Brunner, Casper, Bridgeport, Conn.	060
Bateman, Alexander, Taneytown, Md.	93	Brunoehler, Ernst, Freeport, Ill.	083
Bates, William H., 4358 Green St., Phila., Pa.	E74	Buehrer, Jacob D., Tiffin, O.	H92
Bauer, Peter, Eureka, South Dakota.	94	Burger, Isaiah N., Greensburg, Pa.	H84
Baum, Dr. Christian, Lima, O.	0H77	Burghalter, Daniel, Lima, O.	H95
Bauman, Adolph H., Wilsonville, Oregon.	87	Butler, Joseph F., Imogene, Iowa.	U79
Bauman, Albert B., Tom's Brook, Va.	E92	Butz, George S., Allentown, Pa.	E94
Bauman, Elias, Portland, Oregon.	0H61	Butz, Raymond E., 1626 Sumum St., Phila., Pa.	E90
Bauman, Fred C., Zwinglie, Iowa.	0H54	Callender, Dr. Samuel N., Mechanicsburg, Pa.	E46
Bauman, John N., Jannette, Pa.	E86	Carnahan, Barton R., Keedysville, Md.	E77
Baus, Louis D., Lorain, Erie co., O.	0MH92	Casselman, Amos, Cheney, Kansas.	H76
Bausman, Dr. Benjamin, Reading, Pa.	E52	Cecil, Jesse W., Thomasville, N. C.	65
Bausman, Benj. F., Millersville, Pa.	E83	Christ, Jacob, Fountain City, Wis.	86
Beare, Jonathan C., Wilton, Iowa.	74	Christman, David M., Fireside, Ohio.	U79
Beam, Henry L., Dakota, Ill.	H89	Christman, Morris W., Allentown, Pa.	E90
Bean, Dr. Samuel Z., Carrollton, Carroll co., O.	H62	Clapp, Dr. Jacob C., Newton, N. C.	68
Beaver, Irwin M., Marion, Franklin co., Pa.	H91	Clayton, Lewis B., Pukaski, O.	83
Beck, Edward M., Wooster, O.	0H82	Clever, Dr. Conrad, 518 W. Mulb. St., Baltimore, Md.	E70
Beck, John H., Waynesburg, Stark co., O.	0H73	Coblentz, Lloyd E., 407 N. Carrollton Ave., Balt., Md.	E89
Becker, Aug., 1131 Pearl St., Cleveland, O.	0MH69	Clouser, Wm. W., White Deer Mills, Pa.	E77
Becker, Charles, Cheviot, O.	052	Conner, Jr., A.ville, Walkersville, Md.	E92
Becker, Cyrus J., Catsasqua, Pa.	0E51	Cook, Henry E., (lic.) Hagerstown, Md.	E80
Beinhauer, John C.		Coon, Charles H., 1541 N. 7th St., Philadelphia, Pa.	E76
Beisser, Gottlieb, Elmora, Wis.	0MH69	Cort, Dr. Cyrus, Wyoming, Del.	E63

Cort, Lucian, Mt. Pleasant, Pa.	E57	Facius, Gustavus, 606 N. St., N. W., Washington, D. C.,	076
Crawford, D. J., 1714 Mt. Vernon St., Phila., Pa.	E71	Faust, Lawrence S., Iola, Kan.	E93
Crelitz, Charles E., Hunting on, Pa.	E92	Feike, Julius	94
Cremer, Dr. William C., Chambersburg, Pa.	E63	Fenneman, Wm. H., Hamilton, O.	0H59
Cromer, Thomas K., Lovettsville, Va.	E91	Feustermacher, Thos. A., (lic.) Philadelphia, Pa.	E81
Crow, Harvey J., New Hamourg, Pa.	E95	Ferenci, Francis, Pittsburgh, Pa.	94
Crum, Robert E., Du Bois, Pa.	E86	Ferer, Benjamin B., Reigelsville, Pa.	E88
		Ferner, Chas. R., Scottdale, Pa.	E85
Dahlman, A. E., 71 Locust St., Buffalo, N. Y.	0U76	Feizer, J. G., Wirth, Sharp co., Ark.	95
Dahlman, Dr. Jacob, Akron, O.	0E62	Firor, Marion L., Williamsport, Pa.	MER78
Daniel, Horace, Washington, N. J.	045	Fisher, Dr. Chas. G., 907 Arch St., Philadelphia, Pa.	E66
Danner, John A., Mt. Carmel, Pa.	0H87	Fisher, Franklin H., Hiawatha, Kan.	U93
Darbaker, Harry D., Emlenton, Pa.	E75	Fisher, Gideon P., Hellam, York co., Pa.	U89
Darms, Anthony, Clarence, N. Y.	MH93	Fisher, I. Calvin, 753 Mifflin St., Lebanon, Pa.	U79
Darms, John M. G., South Buffalo, N. Y.	0MH93	Fisher, John J., Tamaqua, Pa.	U79
David, Julius, Pittsburgh, Pa.		Fleuner, J. F., Jeffersonville, Ind.	078
Davis, Benj. Frank, Concord, N. C.	U85	Fluck, J. Lewis, Exton, Chester Co., Pa.	U91
Deatrick, Wm. R. H., Newport, Pa.	E60	Fogel, Dr. Edward J., Fogelsville, Pa.	0E62
Deatrick, E. Ranson, Baltimore, Md.	E84	Foll, Dr. John A., Newton, N. C.	U73
Deatrick, Dr. Wm. M., Mercersburg, Pa.	152	Forster, J. B., 2631 Weisart St., Philadelphia, Pa.	E93
Deatrick, Prof. Wm. W., Kutztown, Pa.	MER79	Fouse, David H., Columbus Junction, Iowa	E67
Dechant, Abner S., Abilene, Kan.	E90	Fouse, Dr. Dewalt S., Lisbon, Iowa	E67
Dechant, Augustus L., Pennsburg, Pa.	0E60	Fox, Martin L., Xenia, Ohio	H95
Delaney, Wilson, 2110 Tasker St., Philadelphia, Pa.	U89	Frank, Milton F., Tiffin, Ohio	H77
Delong, John F., Bethlehem, Pa.	0E74	Frantz, Augustus, Cleveland, Ohio	MH89
De Lyre, Theo. G., 179 44th St., Pittsburgh, Pa.	E85	Frantz, Daniel N., Stonington, Ill.	H89
Demeter, B., New York City	95	Frantz, Hiram A., Tamaqua, Pa.	U89
Dengler, James G., Sellersville, Pa.	0E74	Frech, Henry, Brooklyn, N. Y.	UTS86
Denny, Melchior, Bernstadt, Ky.	0MH82	Freeman, James S., Akron, Ohio	UTS86
Derr, Calvin U. O., Spring City, Chester co., Pa.	91	Freeman, Joseph E., Boyertown, Pa.	0E76
Derr, Dr. Levi K., Reading, Pa.	037	Fricke, Richard, 611 Aisquith St., Baltimore, Md.	0MP84
Derr, Tilghman, Lock Haven, Pa.	E70	Friebolin, Wm., Belvidere, Tenn.	075
Detrich, Josiah D., North Wales, Pa.	E74	Fritch, Wilson S., Lima, O.	93
Dewitz, Charles F., McKeesport, Pa.	E93	Fritzing, Jared, Allentown, Pa.	052
Dickman, Henry, Frostburg, Md.	E86	Fron, William A., Baltimore, Ohio	H82
Dickman, William, New Bremen, O.	0H72	Fuenfstueck, Ernst A., 21 Smith Ave., Cleveland, O.	0MH78
Dieffenbacher, Dr. Cyrus R., Greensburg, Pa.	E62	Fuerer, Edmund F. E., Sheboygan, Wis.	0MH78
Dieffenbacher, Eusebius H., Jerseytown, Col. co., Pa.	E66	Fuessler, Eugene, Brooklyn, N. Y.	
Dieffenbacher, Mose H., Allentown, Pa.	0E77	Fulcason, Daniel K., North Hampton, Ohio.	
Diehm, Frederick H., Freeport, Ill.	MH93		
Diehm, William, Lowell, Wis.	0MH93	Gaenge, Julius, Clarence, N. Y.	MH95
Dietz, Tilghman R., Shippensburg, Pa.	E77	Gantenbein, Dr. John, 392 Walnut St., Phila., Pa.	050
Dietzel, Samuel H., Pleasant Unity, Pa.	E83	Garner, Henry S., Baldwin, Pa.	MER78
Dietzel, John E., Lindsey, Sandusky co., O.	77	Garrison, J. Silor, Harrisonburg, Va.	E94
Dippell, Dr. Peter H., 123 N. 6th St., Phila., Pa.	0H72	Gass, Richard F., Hawthorne, Pa.	E87
Dittmar, David N., Fort Washington, Pa.	E75	Gast, Dr. Fred A., Lancaster, Pa.	E59
Dittmar, Harry F., Jefferson, Md.	E90	Geary, Ambrose C., Charlesville, Pa.	E70
Ditzler, Harry, Mt. Jackson, Va.	E85	Gehr, Dr. Nicholas, 24 4 N. 6th St., Philadelphia, Pa.	049
Dokus, Gabriel, Norwalk, Conn.	91	Gekeler, A. G., 18 Coburn St., Indianapolis, Ind.	0MH81
Dolch, Gustavus, 1134 Pearl St., Cleveland, O.	77	Gekeler, Henry S., St. Joseph, Mo.	H87
Donat, Willoughby, Schuylkill Haven, Pa.	0E73	George, Jonathan V., Reading, Pa.	0E90
Donat, Wilson D., Jonestown, Pa.	0E82	Gerhard, Dr. Calvin S., Reading, Pa.	E70
Doutter, John, Leamar, Pa.	E74	Gerhard, Darius W., Lancaster, Pa.	E66
Dreher, Wm., 22 Wicout St., Cleveland, O.	0MH83	Gerhard, Geo. W., Hamburg, Pa.	E83
Dreibelbies, George A., Pa. ne, Paulding co., O.	E93	Gerhart, Dr. Emanuel V., Lancaster, Pa.	0E42
Dreisbach, Dr. Albert F., Silver Run, Md.	E80	Gerhart, Henry L., (lic.) North Wales, Pa.	0E73
Dubbs, Dr. Alfred J. G., Allentown, Pa.	0E51	Gerhart, Dr. R. Leighton, Bellefonte, Pa.	E71
Dubbs, Jacob G., Coopersburg, Pa.	E86	Gersman, H. M., 2038 Canton Ave., Toledo, O.	0MH80
Dubbs, Dr. Joseph H., Lancaster, Pa.	E59	Gill, George S., Fort Loudon, Pa.	E94
Duckworth, Joseph, 18 and McKean St., Phila., Pa.	034	Glessner, Albert S., Cumberland, Md.	E91
Duenger, Dr. Rudolph, Ashland, Pa.	0E79	Goerig, Louis P., Sharon, Pa.	E94
Dumstrey, Max F., 321 N. 26 St., Philadelphia, Pa.	0E79	Gonser, Albert, Myerstown, Lebanon co., Pa.	0H81
Dyken, P., Waukegan, Ill.	94	Good, Chas. W., Tiffin, O.	H73
		Good, Dr. James I., Reading, Pa.	75
Ebbert, David W., Milton, Pa.	U76	Good, Prof. Reuben, Tiffin, Ohio	E45
Ebinger, Paul, Waukon, Iowa.		Goodrich, William, Clear Spring, Md.	E53
Edmonds, Francis A., Odell, Livingston co., Ill.	0H58	Goss, Dr. Sebastian C., Wadsworth, O.	0H66
Edmonds, Lewis C., Canaan, Wayne co., O.	056	Graedel, Gottfried, Ballard, Washington	0MH82
Eickelberg, Hugo, 111 W. St., Evansville, Ind.	85	Graeff, Dr. Isaac E., Harrisburg, Pa.	049
Eisenberg, Samuel H., Center Hall, Pa.	MER79	Graf, J. F., Wathena, Kansas	075
Ellicker, Gottfried D., Waukon, Iowa	MH95	Gramm, Henry, 504 Hancock St., Sandusky, O.	H89
Ellicker, Samuel, Melbourne, Iowa	MH92	Grant, James, Wilkinsburg, Pa.	71
Emmer, Frederick, Crestline, Ohio	H90	Granel, Julius, Olney, Ill.	0MH71
Engelman, Frederick W., Findlay, O.	MH94	Greding, Dr. Peter, Bluffton, O.	0H59
Engelman, George, Auburn, Ind.	H90	Greenwald, Daniel J., Falls City, Neb.	0H68
Engle, Wm. G., Williamsport, Pa.	0E62	Grether, Prof. Frank, Franklin, Wis.	0MH79
Ernst, Noah A., Robertsville, O.	H90	Grether, John M., Swanton, Fulton co., O.	063
Erb, Edmund, 2606 Vine St., Lincoln, Neb.	0E62	Grether, William, Millersburg, O.	0H85
Erb, George C., McConnellsburg, Pa.	E89	Griffith, Bruce, 310 S. Lawrence St., Wichita, Kan.	E93
Eschbach, Dr. Edmund R., Frederick, Md.	E61	Groh, Milton H., Columbus, O.	0U65
Evans, John M., Harrison City, Pa.	E79	Groh, William H., Carlisle Springs, Pa.	0E56
Eans, L. Kryder, Portstown, Pa.	0E69	Gross, Luther P., 343 Pearl St., Marion, O.	H85
Everhart, George G., Shepherdstown, W. Va.	89	Grosshuesch, J. William, Franklin, Wis.	0MH78
Ewing, Charles E., Farmersville, O.	H95	Gruber, John J. M., New Lisbon, O.	H79
Excell, Joshua J., Colon, Mich.	54	Gruenigen, Jacob Von, Nashville, Tenn.	

Grueningen, Jacob J. Von, Sauk City, Wis. OMH74
 Gruenstein, Elias Edward, Monticello, Ia. OMH77
 Guenther, A., 11 Stanhope St., Brooklyn, N. Y. 078
 Gumbert, Christian, Girty, Pa. MER76
 Gundlach, Charles, Rochester, N. Y. OMH75
 Guth, Franklin A., Codorus, Pa. U84

Haas, William A., Selinsgrove, Pa. OE67
 Hacker, Thomas J., Allentown, Pa. OE78
 Hafner, Gottlieb, Washougal, Wash. OE78
 Hahn, Frederick B., West Reading, Pa. OE80
 Hahn, Isaiah S., Canal Fulton, O. MH91
 Hale, Dr. William A., Dayton, O. 68
 Hanisch, Richard, 172 Meudota, Ill. 90
 Hansen, Wm., Harvey Ave., Detroit, Mich. 073
 Happel, William D., Wilkesbarre, Pa. E95
 Harner, J. Philip, Timberville, Va. E93
 Haruish, Daniel N., Butler, Pa. E83
 Haruish, Louis C., Clearville, Pa. E94
 Harrington, Simon, Cleveland, Ill. 95
 Harsauer, Alexander, O. 84
 Hart, Harvey L., Dayton, Ohio OMH76
 Hartman, Charles, Shanesville, O. OMH74
 Hartman, John H., Hanover, Pa. E88
 Hartman, J. Stewart, Harrisburg, Pa. E85
 Hartzell, Cyrus M., Latrobe, Pa. OE76
 Hartzell, Geo. P., Summum, Fulton co., Ill. U93
 Hartzel, Samuel F., Jacksonville, Pa. U89
 Hassel, Conrad, Galion, O. E81
 Hassler, Edgar S., Keim, Somerset co., Pa. E56
 Hassler, Dr. Jacob, Ft. Loudon, Pa. OMH74
 Hauser, Jacob, Archbold, O. E94
 Hay, Ellis S., Maytown, Pa. 075
 Heberle, John, Harrison, O. OMH69
 Heckman, John, Mt. Auburn, Cincinnati, O. 65
 Hedrick, Michael L., Silver Hill, N. C. H61
 Heffley, James, Canal Winchester, O. MH95
 Heichhold, Frederick, Williamsport, Pa. E63
 Heilman, U. Henry, Jonestown, Pa. 081
 Helmberger, C. T., 20 Basic Ave., Bridgeport, Conn. U93
 Heimer, Peter E., New Oxford, Pa. OMH76
 Heilman, A., 181 Hastings St., Chicago, Ill. OMH74
 Heinze, Moritz, 41 Sherman St., Buffalo, N. Y. U80
 Helrich, Nevlin W. A., Allentown, Pa. OE84
 Heller, Dr. Andrew J., Harmony, Pa. OE85
 Heller, Calvin B., Mt. Crawford, Va. OMH66
 Helming, H., 128 Coburn St., Indianapolis, Ind. U79
 Heneb, Silas M., Walkersville, Md. E90
 Hendricks, Irvin W., Bedford, Pa. 63
 Hendricks, Joseph H., Collegeville, Pa. H77
 Henning, George W., Osnaburg, O. OMH73
 Henry, Jerome B., Norristown, Pa. OMH74
 Henschen, Ernst Wm., La Fayette, Ind. OMH74
 Herbert, Wm. H., 316 N. 12th St., Pottsville, Pa. H69
 Herbruck, Dr. Edward, Dayton, O. OMH76
 Herbruck, Emil P., Canton, O. E81
 Herbst, Cosmos H., West Hazelton, Pa. E89
 Herbst, J. Amandus E62
 Herman, Alfred J., Maxatawny, Pa. E95
 Herman, Dr. Henry M., Miamisburg, O. 70
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Shoemaker, Joseph G., Braddock, Pa.	0-55	Stoner, Henry Y., Reading, Pa.	90
Shontz, Jonas B., Chambersburg, Pa.	E71	Stonesifer, James B., Winchester, Va.	E89
Shwers, Lucian W., Edernton, Pa.	94	Storrier, Jacob, 622 Utica St., Buffalo, N. Y.	
Shreffler, J. H., West Salem, Wayne co., O.		Stover, S. Charles, Cessna, Pa.	E88
Shuey, D. B., 910 Congress St., Emporia, Kan.	0E76	Strassner, Frederick, Canton, O.	0E59
Shuford, Julius H., Bowling Rock, N. C.	U74	String, Jesse H., 734 Lehigh Ave., Philadelphia, Pa.	U93
Shulenberg, Anthony, China Grove, N. C.	E75	Strock, Titus C., James Creek, Pa.	U88
Shulenberg, Wm. C. B., Martinsburg, W. Va.	E69	Strunck, Oliver H., Schuylkill Haven, Pa.	F80
Shuts, Francis M., Leighton, Iowa	H84	Stubblebine, W. H., Quincy Ave., Scranton, Pa.	T91
Shuts, William H., Massillon, O.	H82	Stucki, Jacob, Black River Falls, Wis.	0MH85
Shutz, J. A., Roversford, Pa.		Stump, Fred W., Artesian, South Dakota	H79
Shutz, Reuben F., Fairfield, O.	H87	Sturhahn, Theodore, Melbourne, Iowa.	
Shumaker, Hiram, Honton, Kan.	H70	Sult, Emmet C., Anselma, Pa.	U95
Shumaker, Dr. Joseph B., Tiffin, O.	H67	Summey, Christian W., N. Washington, Pa.	E82
Siegel, Chas. W. E., Plymouth, Pa.	0-77	Sumner, Louis C., Liscomb, Iowa	E94
Sieman, D.	MH95	Super, Dr. Henry W., Collegeville, Pa.	E50
Signor, Jacob, Ridgeway, Ek co., Pa.	94	Swander, Dr. John L., Tiffin, O.	H58
Silvius, U. O., 620 Venango St., Philadelphia, Pa.	MH90	Sykes, William C., Burkittsville, Md.	E93
Sites, Isaac A., Ada, O.	H70	Takeo, Noya, (lic.), Philadelphia, Pa.	E95
Skyles, Eugene P., Berlin, Pa.	E95	Tallhelm, Henry, Edenburg, Va.	74
Skyles, Nehemiah H., Woodstock, Va.	H63	Taylor, Daniel R., North Hampton, O.	76
Slagel, Calvin S., Westminster, Md.	E81	Teichrieb, Henry, Scotland, South Dakota	89
Slinghoff, Charles H., McConnellstown, Pa.	U93	Terborg, John E., West Bend, Wis.	0MH75
Smith, Andrew H., Newton, N. C.	E92	Tesnow, Henry, Denver, Col.	U91
Smith, Charles M., Hublersburg, Pa.	E94	Theuersbacher, Paul, Haskins, O.	
Smith, Frank W., Effort, Pa.	E83	Thomas, John D., Cochran, Pa.	0H87
Smith, G. Wm. H., Hillsboro, O.	H76	Thomas, Siegfried, Bunker Hill, Kans.	0MH71
Smith, Geo. E., Kutztown, Pa.	E92	Titzel, Dr. John M., Lancaster, Pa.	0E58
Smith, John E., Bath, Pa.	0U77	Traeger, John E., 1330 Wellington St., Chicago, Ill.	H94
Smith, Joseph C., Mt. Eaton, O.	H90	Trautman, Henry, Pearl St., Cleveland, O.	063
Snyder, Addison C., Glencoe, Somerset co., Pa.	H85	Trexler, Dr. Peter M., Concord, N. C.	E71
Snyder, George A., Hagerstown, Md.	H88	Treiber, Michael, Scotland, South Dakota	074
Snyder, George W., Boonsboro, Md.	0E72	Treich, Henry, Garner, Iowa	0MH85
Snyder, Henry E., Butler, Butler co., Pa.	E91	Truxal, Dr. Albert E., Meyersdale, Pa.	E72
Snyder, Jacob F., Manor Dale, Pa.	E64	Tuesse, C., New York, N. Y.	93
Snyder, Nathaniel Z., S. Bethlehem, Pa.	0E71	Tussing, William H., Fostoria, Ohio	H88
Snyder, Pham W., Bremen, Ohio	U86		
Snyder, Solomon U., Dayton, O.	H85		
Snyder, Sylvanus S., Sendal, Japan	H85		
Sommerlatte, Paul, New York, N. Y.	H94		
Sorber, George S., Watertown, Pa.	93		
Sonnedecker, Prof. Thomas H., (lic.), Tiffin, O.	U78		
Souder, Geo. H., Bluffton, Ind.	H92		
Souder, John M., New Providence, Pa.	H82		
Souders, David A., Irwin, Westmoreland co., Pa.	E72		
Spangler, Aaron, York, Pa.	E86		
Spangler, Elias, Edgerton, O.	0H70		
Spangler, Dr. Henry T., Collegeville, Pa.	53		
Spangler, Paul M., Tannersville, Pa.	0U75		
Spessard, Kenny O., Union Bridge, Md.	U94		
Spies, William, Spencerville, O.	E94		
Spohn, Howard H., Liverpool, Pa.	0H54		
Staehli, R. H., 317 Bush St., San Francisco, Cal.	E95		
Stahl, Jacob P., New Berlin, O.	H86		
Stahr, Isaac S., Oley, Pa.	0E77		
Stahr, Dr. John S., Lancaster, Pa.	0E72		
Staley, Dr. G. L., 1628 N. Calvert St., Baltimore, Md.	E46		
Stambaugh, Levi D., Rehersburg, Pa.	0E		
Staub, Rudolph, Mink, Oregon.			
Stauter, J. J., Elizabethville, Dauphin co., Pa.	U86		
Stauter, Samuel P., Andersonburg, Pa.			
Stauter, Thomas F., Box 806, Lincoln, Neb.	E65		
Stauss, Hartman, Schapsville, Ill.	083		
Stearly, Wilson R., P. O. Box 149, Cleveland, O.	90		
Stechow, William, Stanford, Ky.	069		
Steckel, Lewis D., Lykens, Dauphin co., Pa.	0E69		
Steckel, Oscar P., Easton, Pa.	E87		
Steele, James H., Tiffin, Ohio	H78		
Stein, John P., Reading, Pa.	0E64		
Steinert, J. G., 341 E. Ohio St., Indianapolis, Ind.	0MH82		
		Wagner, C. Ernest, Lancaster, Pa.	E89
		Wagner, Fred'k., West Bend, Washington co., Wis.	M-91
		Wagner, Irvin F., Lima, Allen co., Ohio	U94
		Wagner, Dr. Samuel G., Allentown, Pa.	E55
		Wagner, Samuel T., Monroe, Clarion co., Pa.	ME81
		Wagoner, Johnson J., Turtle Creek, Pa.	
		Wahubach, Frederick, Boeger's Store, Mo.	MH94
		Walbert, George B., East Greenville, Pa.	0E89
		Walenta, W., 396 Grah. Av., Brooklyn, E. D. N. Y.	0MH79
		Walker, George V., Arcanum, Ohio	94
		Walter, J. Grant, Hummelstown, Pa.	E94
		Ware, Freeman, Athens, Mich.	86
		Wartman, Theodore, Port and, Oregon.	
		Watermuelder, Louis, Sheboygan, Wis.	
		Waugaman, Simon U., Claysburg, Pa.	E92

Weaver, Charles B., Ferndale, Pa.	E89	Wissler Harry W., Thurmont, Md.	E95
Weaver, Robert C., Bethlehem, Pa.	75	Wittenwyer W. H. Olney Rich and co., Ill.	0H69
Weber, Adam S., 24 4 Baltimore St., E. Balt., Md.	E83	Witthoff Frank C. Marion O.	0H78
Weber, Gerney, Glen Rock, Pa.	F95	Woehner E. Theo. F. Green Bay Wis.	050
Wegert, Henry, Toledo, O.	0H70	Wohlfarth William New Middletown, Ind.	085
Wehner, Charles E., Manheim, Pa.	U89	Wolbach John Nazareth Pa.	076
Weidner, Uriah, Montgomery Square, Pa.	74	Wolbach Joshua Anna Union co. Ill.	E81
Weiser, Dr. Clement Z., E. Greenville, Pa.	0E54	Wolf Dr. Daniel M. Spring Mills Pa.	K70
Weiss, Benjamin, Lenhartsville, Pa.	0E73	Wolf David U. Blue Bell Pa.	0U78
Weiss, Louis M., Belaire, O.		Wolfe Abram D. Mt Crawford, Va.	U87
Weker, Henry J., Stouchsburg, Pa.	U77	Wotring Wallace H., Nazareth Pa.	U91
Weller, Elmer E., Germantown, O.	E90		
Welsh, Wm. Geo., East Berlin, Pa.	U91	Xanders, William H., Michigan City, Ind.	E78
Wentz, Edward, Franklin, Wis.	MH89		
Werner, William B., Schwenksville, Pa.	E93	Yearick Zwing'i A., Mercersburg Pa.	E75
Werny, John, Toledo, O.	0MH81	Yenzer William Marietta Pa.	U95
Wettach, Edward D., Tiffin, O.	0H77	Yockey Dr. Samuel B. Xenia O.	H68
Wetzell, Frank, Stoystown, Pa.	H80	Yost Calvin D. Minersville Pa.	U94
Weyward, Jaroslaw, Jacksonville, Md.	95	Yost Francis C. York Pa.	U77
Whitmer, A. Car., Lancaster, Pa.	0E63	Yundt, Thomas M., Womelsdorf, Pa.	86
Whitmore, George A., Thurmont, Md.	MER79		
Whitmore, Samuel L., Millinburg, Pa.	MER78	Zacharias George M. Baltimore Md.	E83
Wiant, Jacob F., Troutville, Pa.	E69	Zacharias Geo. R., Upper Strassburg Pa.	E69
Wickert, Jairus A., Denver, Lancaster co., Pa.	E83	Zander William F., Avon Park De Soto co., Fla.	
Wickand, Charles S., Pottstown, Pa.	80	Zartman Allen K., Fort Wayne Ind.	H76
Wierner Herman, Baltimore Md.		Zartman Parley E., Dayton Ohio	H83
Wienand, Paul, 6 Pear St. Baltimore Md.	083	Zartman Rufus C., 1635 N. 19th St., Philadelphia, Pa.	H89
Wiest Edward F., Phoenixville, Pa.	U93	Zechiel Albert H., Beavertown, O.	0H73
Williams E. Garver, Waco Marion co., O.	U76	Zenk Ludwig W., Manitowoc Wis.	0MH72
Willard Edwin R., Akron O.	H74	Zerbe Prof. Dr. Alvin S., Tiffin O.	0H73
Willard Dr. George W., Dayton O.	E40	Zesch Dr. F. O., 50 Sycamore St., Cincinnati, O.	E51
Winter, David A., Sioux City, Iowa	H87	Zieber Dr. William K., Hanover Pa.	075
Winter John, Crestline O.	0H60	Ziegler Jacob, Avenue City, Mo.	0E74
Winter John F., Huntington Ind.	0H82	Ziegler Lawrence Gaylord Minn.	E77
Witz John, Milltown N. J.	083	Zinkhan Louis F., Baltimore Md.	069
Wisner, Christian, Crothersville, Ind.	074	Zipf Charles G., Wheatland Iowa	

Aged Ministers of Reformed Church.

"Thou shalt rise up before the hoary head, and honor the face of the old man." Lev. 19: 12.

The following ministers, who are still living, have been ordained over fifty years:

NAMES.	ORDAINED.	AGE.	P. O. ADDRESS.
Rudolph Duenger, D. D.	1834	89	Ashland, Pa.
John Kercher	1836	84	Bloomington, Ill.
Thomas C. Porter, D. D.	1840		Easton, Pa.
George W. Williard, D. D., LL.D.	1840	79	Dayton, O.
Emanuel V. Gerhart, D. D., LL.D.	1841	79	Lancaster, Pa.
John Naille	1841	95	Spring City, Pa.
Daniel Kroh	1841	87	East Saginaw, Mich.
Henry St. J. Rinker	1844		Maurertown, Va.
Frederick A. Rupley, D. D.	1844	75	Martinsburg, Pa.
Peter D. Schorey	1844		Lancaster, O.
Lewis B. Schwartz	1845		Boston, Mass.
Reuben Good	1845	78	Tiffin, O.
Horace Daniel	1845		Washington, N. J.
Theodore Appel, D. D.	1845		Lancaster, Pa.
Lawrence D. Leberman	1846		Philadelphia, Pa.
George L. Staley, D. D.	1846		Baltimore, Md.
John Vogt	1846	71	Delaware, O.

Meetings of the Synods.

SYNODS.	PLACE.	TIME. 1896.	PRESIDENT.	STATED CLERK.	TREASURER.
General, Ohio	Trinity Ch., Dayton, O.	May 27, 7.30 p. m.	Rev. T. G. Apple, D. D.	Rev. I. H. Reiter, D. D.	Elder C. G. Gross.
	Ref. Ch., Louisville, O.	First Wednesday of full moon, Oct.	Rev. J. P. Stahl	Rev. I. H. Reiter, D. D.	Rev. L. H. Kefauver, D. D.

This table is as complete as it was possible to make it at the time of going to press.

Annual Meetings of the Classes, 1896.

CLASSES.	PLACE.	TIME.	PRESIDENT.	STATED CLERK.	TREASURER.
1896.					
Eastern Synod.					
East Pennsylvania.	Freemansburg, Pa.	May 13, 7:30 p. m.	Rev. O. P. Steckel	Rev. T. O. Stern	Rev. T. O. Stern.
East Susquehanna.	Pillow, Pa.	May 11, 7:30 p. m.	" S. P. Brown	" J. C. Leimbach	Geo. Hill, Esq.
Goshenhoppen.	Friedensburg, Pa.	May 12, 2:00 p. m.	" T. H. Leimbach	" C. S. Wiesner	D. B. Manter, Esq.
Lancaster.	Shoop's Church, Pa.	April 27, 7:30 p. m.	" B. H. Roth	" J. W. Gierhard	Rev. J. H. Pannabecker.
Lebanon.	Myerstown, Pa.	May 11, 7:00 p. m.	" L. D. Sautbaugh	" J. E. Hester, D. D.	Jacob K. Funk.
Lehigh.	Stationsburg, Pa.	May 18, 7:30 p. m.	" G. W. Richards	" M. H. Dieffenderfer	Rev. M. H. Dieffenderfer.
Philadelphia.	Calvary Church, Phila.	May 12, 7:30 p. m.	" E. C. Hittshman	" J. H. Sechler, D. D.	Rev. J. B. Henry.
Reading (Authorized).	but not yet organized.				
Schuylkill.	Schuylkill Haven, Pa.	May 20, 7:30 p. m.	" S. B. Bridenbaugh	" W. J. Muir	Rev. J. W. Steinmetz.
Tohickon.	Parkside, Pa.	May 14, 7:30 p. m.	" R. Weaver	" N. Z. Snyder	I. G. Gerhart.
West Susquehanna.	Williamsport, Pa.	May 13, 7:30 p. m.	" J. R. Brown	" Wm. A. Haas	Rev. Wm. A. Haas.
Wyoming.	Scranton, Pa.	May 6, 7:30 p. m.	" W. D. Donat	" D. E. Schoedler	Rev. A. Houz.
Ohio Synod.					
Eastern Ohio.	Warren, O.	May 26, 7:30 p. m.	" N. A. Ernst	" Geo. W. Henning	Rev. J. H. Bomberger.
Lancaster.	Canal Winchester, O.	May 26, 7:30 p. m.	" C. E. Stoner	" S. W. Seemann	Rev. J. A. Seitz.
Miami.	Springboro, O.	April 21, 7:30 p. m.	" W. A. Hale, D. D.	" H. M. Herman, D. D.	V. P. Van Horne.
St. Joseph.	Athens, Mich.	May 7, 7:30 p. m.	" B. B. Royer	" F. Ware	E. n. Ashlaucher.
Tiffin.	Bellevue, O.	April 18, 7:30 p. m.	" J. M. Schick, D. D.	" A. H. Zechel	Rev. J. B. Shuaker, D. D.
Tuscarawas.	Cairo, O.	May 26, 7:30 p. m.	" J. Ihle	" E. D. Wetach	Elder E. K. Kremer.
Northwest Synod.					
Chicago.	Ev. Ref. Ch., Chicago, Ill.	May 27, 7:30 p. m.	" E. Brunoehler	" S. Romeis	Rev. J. E. Traeger.
Indiana.	Terre Haute, Ind.	May 6, 7:45 p. m.	" C. F. Kriete	" A. G. Gekeler	Elder F. W. J.
Milwaukee.	Jackson, Wis.	May 28, 7:30 p. m.	" W. G. Kuntzel	" H. O. J. Harris	Rev. J. Herzog.
Minnesota.	Norwood, Minn.	June 12, 7:30 p. m.	" H. Treick	" J. O. Vitz	Rev. P. Eisinger.
Missouri.	Boeger's Store, Mo.	May 14, 8:00 p. m.	" W. F. Horstmeier	" J. Bohler	Elder Jacob Peters.
Nebraska.	Van Dyne, Wis.	April 8, 7:30 p. m.	" C. T. Martin, D. D.	" D. W. Vriesen	Rev. J. J. Janett.
Sheboygan.	Ashley, S. D.	June 4, 7:30 p. m.	" H. W. Stenecker	" F. A. Rittershaus	Chr. Buchler.
South Dakota.	Huntington, Ind.	June 11, 7:30 p. m.	" J. Kuehling, D. D.	" E. Vornholt	M. Kirsch, Esq.
Union's.					
Pittsburg Synod.					
Allegheny.	Evans City, Pa.	May 14, 8:00 p. m.	" A. K. Kline	" D. N. Harnish	Elder John M. Conroy.
Carlton.	Northville, Pa.	June 17, 7:30 p. m.	" J. F. Want	" R. E. Crum	Rev. R. C. Bowling.
St. Paul's.	Balm, Pa.	June 12, 7:30 p. m.	" F. M. Lile	" Geo. E. Lambert	C. M. Bosh, Esq.
Somerset.	Rockwood, Pa.	May 6, 7:45 p. m.	" A. C. Snyder	" E. S. Hasler	Rev. D. N. Leader.
Westmoreland.	Mt. Pleasant, Pa.	May 13, 8:00 p. m.	" J. H. Mickey	" J. F. Snyder	Rev. C. R. Fenner.
Potomac Synod.					
Carlsle.	Newport, Pa.	May 14, 7:30 p. m.	" S. P. Stauffer	" J. D. Miller	Rev. J. D. Miller.
Gettysburg.	Stone Church, J. Ch., Pa.	May 7, 7:30 p. m.	" Geo. P. Stem	" T. J. Barkley, D. D.	Rev. T. J. Barkley, D. D.
Junata.	Murkiesburg, Pa.	May 14, 7:30 p. m.	" A. C. Geary	" J. W. Pontius	Rev. J. W. Pontius.
Maryland.	Hagerstown, Md.	May 6, 7:30 p. m.	" A. S. Weber	" W. R. Deatrick	Rev. C. S. Single.
Marysberg.	Fort Loudon, Pa.	May 7, 7:30 p. m.	" G. B. Russell, D. D.	" W. M. Deatrick, D. D.	Rev. W. A. Deatrick, D. D.
North Carolina.	Conover, N. C.	May 7, 7:30 p. m.	" J. C. Follet, Ph. D.	" J. C. Leonard	Col. H. A. Forney.
Northland-Oregon.	Salem, Oregon	May 28, 7:30 p. m.	" G. Grindel	" J. G. Schmidt	Elder F. K. Kellerman.
Virginia.	Roanoke, Va.	May 6, 7:30 p. m.	" Lewis Reiter	" J. A. Hoffheims, D. D.	Rev. J. A. Hoffheims, D. D.
Zion's.	Glen Rock, Pa.	May 12, 7:30 p. m.	" O. P. Snellhamer	" A. Spangler	Chas. A. Shultz.
Ger. Synod of East.					
New York.	Suf. St. Ref. Ch., N. Y.	June 7, 8:00 p. m.	" H. Freck	" C. Brunner	Elder John Lutz.
Ger. Maryland.	Washington, D. C.	June 9, 8:00 p. m.	" G. Factus	" H. C. Schlueter	Rev. H. Wiener.

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OBJECT.	IN WHAT SYNOD.	TREASURER.	ADDRESS.	
Foreign Missions.	General Synod.	Jos. L. Lemberger.	Lebanon, Pa.	
Home Missions.	"	James T. Reber.	Reading, Pa.	
"	"	J. J. Nissley.	Hummelstown, Pa.	
"	(Joint Synods, Eastern }	Geo. M. Ehrlen.	1937 Ridge Ave., Philadelphia, Pa.	
"	{ Pittsburgh and Potomac }	Rev. J. J. Leberman.	Louisville, Ohio.	
"	German Synod of the East.	Rev. C. Baum, D. D.	Lima, Ohio.	
"	Ohio Synod.	Rev. Fred Strasser, D. D.	Canton, Ohio.	
"	Synod of the Northwest.	Rev. Chas G. Fisher	907 Arch St., Philadelphia, Pa.	
"	Central Synod.	Rev. L. H. Kefauver, D. D	Tiffin, Ohio.	
"	Eastern Synod.	Rev. S. H. Eisenberg.	Greenville, Pa.	
Beneficiary Education.	Ohio Synod.	Rev. Wm. M. Dearrick, D.D.	Meyersburg, Pa.	
"	Pittsburg Synod.	Rev. S. S. Miller.	Boonsborough, Md.	
"	Potomac Synod.	John B. Roth.	Lancaster, Pa.	
"	Eastern Synod.	Horace Ankeney.	Alpha, Greene Co., Ohio.	
"	Ohio Synod.	Jacob Bausman.	Lancaster, Pa.	
"	Ohio Synod.	Rev. L. H. Kefauver, D. D.	Tiffin, Ohio.	
"	Potomac Synod.	E. J. Bonebrake, Esq	Chambersburg, Pa.	
"	Eastern Synod.	Frank M. Hobson.	Freeland, Pa.	
"	Synod of the Northwest.	C. G. Gross.	Franklin, Sheboygan Co., Wis.	
"	Eastern Synod.	C. F. Arpke.	879 N. 41st St., Phila., Pa.	
"	Pittsburg Synod.	B. Wolf, Jr.	304 Wood St., Pittsburgh, Pa.	
"	Synod of the Northwest.	Rev. Ludwig Zank	Kiel, Manitowoc Co., Wis.	
"	"	Rev. Wm. Friebohn	149 Aaron St., Cleveland, Ohio.	
"	"	Rev. C. Hartman	Fort Wayne, Ind.	
"	"	J. A. Foil, Ph. D.	Newton, N. C.	
"	"	C. M. Boush, Esq.	Meadville, Pa.	
Church Extension.	General Synod.			
Ger. Philadelphia.	May 24, 7:30 p. m.	Rev. F. W. Berleman, D. D.	Rev. M. F. Dumstrey.	Elder J. Maybach.
West New York.	May 5, 8:00 p. m.	" Val. Rettig.	" C. Gundlach.	C. R. Menning.
West Pennsylvania.	May 26, 7:30 p. m.	" A. Boley.	" C. Borchers.	Rev. C. Borchers.
Central Synod.				
Cincinnati.	May 26, 2:30 p. m.	" W. H. Fenneman.	" J. Bachman, D. D.	Elder C. Uthbrock.
Kelley's Island.	May 28, 7:30 p. m.	" F. Mayer.	" J. H. C. Roentgen, D. D.	Rev. A. C. Preizer.
Bluffton, O.	June 11, 7:30 p. m.	" M. Noll.	" M. Vitz.	Elder J. S. Zimmerman.
St. John's.	May 21, 7:30 p. m.	" C. Hartman.	" C. Schmitt.	Rev. F. Strasser.
Interior Synod.				
Illinois.	May 13, 7:45 p. m.	" S. P. Harrington.	" J. Wolbach.	Rev. J. Sechler.
Iowa.	May 13, 7:30 p. m.	" D. F. Boomershine.	" D. H. Fouse.	Rev. J. S. Fouse, D. D.
Kansas.	April 23, 7:30 p. m.	" A. S. De hant.	" G. W. Remagen.	Rev. J. W. Love.
Lincoln.	May 7, 8:00 p. m.	" J. F. Butler.	" T. F. Stauter.	Rev. T. F. Stauter.
Wichita.	April 30, 8:00 p. m.	" L. S. Faust.	" D. B. Shuey.	Rev. D. B. Shuey.

BENEVOLENT CONTRIBUTIONS OF REFORMED CHURCH, BY SYNODS.

Year.	Total Ministers.	Total Congregations.	Total Members.	Eastern Synod.	Ohio Synod.	Synod of the Northwest.	Pittsburgh Synod.	Potomac Synod.	German Synod of the East.	Central Synod.	Synod of the Interior.	Total Benevolent Cont.
1870	522	1,141	116,529	\$46,365 70	\$11,119 98	\$ 9,954 35	\$ 8,558 96	.....	.....	.....	.....	\$ 76,000 64
1871	560	1,212	124,143	66,901 60	7,257 08	5,840 46	6,043 97	.....	.....	.....	.....	86,043 11
1872	574	1,290	128,771	45,561 29	8,323 11	5,029 71	8,056 19	.....	.....	.....	.....	66,970 30
1873	595	1,329	132,195	42,368 65	10,771 56	7,356 87	9,936 00	\$20,964 11	.....	.....	.....	91,427 19
1874	600	1,320	135,600	41,101 67	12,767 02	8,466 45	11,157 89	12,724 92	.....	.....	.....	86,217 95
1875	623	1,341	142,118	40,390 11	10,419 27	8,887 44	13,462 40	11,416 09	\$4,491 83	.....	.....	88,117 09
1876	650	1,347	143,609	36,367 50	7,828 00	9,988 00	7,063 00	13,144 41	3,706 00	.....	.....	78,096 41
1877	680	1,368	146,901	31,037 00	9,404 00	6,940 00	5,950 13	13,923 21	3,987 00	.....	.....	68,261 21
1878	710	1,369	147,788	22,782 00	7,032 00	7,980 00	5,816 00	13,923 00	4,194 00	.....	.....	61,727 00
1879	734	1,384	154,742	19,824 00	9,089 00	17,342 00	5,180 00	11,471 00	3,331 00	.....	.....	66,237 00
1880	746	1,395	161,002	27,734 00	6,834 00	12,555 00	6,457 00	16,019 00	3,802 00	.....	.....	73,401 00
1881	752	1,426	163,669	35,859 00	18,816 00	12,109 00	7,249 00	15,239 00	3,665 00	.....	.....	92,937 00
1882	767	1,432	166,586	37,956 00	11,724 00	5,658 00	49,100 00	14,093 00	5,349 00	\$ 7,927 00	.....	133,816 00
1883	783	1,465	169,530	37,158 00	11,915 00	8,580 00	11,898 00	17,355 00	5,589 00	8,653 00	.....	101,148 00
1884	780	1,461	172,949	45,705 00	10,783 13	12,617 00	11,076 49	29,068 90	6,978 00	10,156 00	.....	127,284 52
1885	788	1,468	177,037	47,205 00	11,082 00	9,711 00	8,614 00	21,928 00	5,658 00	9,889 00	.....	114,087 00
1886	802	1,481	183,980	59,744 00	14,825 00	10,252 00	8,824 00	32,912 00	5,662 00	8,893 00	.....	141,122 00
1887	822	1,512	190,527	60,931 00	13,203 00	13,573 00	11,308 00	30,366 00	6,223 00	8,769 00	\$2,924 00	147,297 00
1888	823	1,535	191,344	69,178 00	14,687 00	11,641 00	19,197 00	36,727 00	5,523 00	12,530 00	1,767 00	171,250 00
1889	835	1,552	200,493	71,433 00	12,713 00	12,194 00	10,711 00	32,231 00	9,571 00	9,513 00	2,712 00	161,078 00
1890	856	1,556	203,858	75,416 00	33,234 00	13,585 00	24,331 00	37,729 00	8,286 00	10,294 00	2,320 00	205,195 00
1891	867	1,573	208,080	78,925 00	15,258 00	16,581 00	42,197 00	32,074 00	7,629 00	13,189 00	2,523 00	208,376 00
1892	885	1,583	212,830	119,285 00	26,452 63	14,754 00	21,001 00	28,653 31	9,996 00	13,202 00	2,978 00	236,321 94
1893	922	1,591	216,436	94,611 00	18,762 00	14,886 00	28,165 00	40,457 00	7,710 00	12,014 00	3,314 00	219,919 00
1894	938	1,646	221,473	140,726 00	16,421 00	14,487 00	20,166 00	39,036 00	9,390 00	13,9 8 00	3,263 00	257,949 42

COMPARATIVE SUMMARY

Of the whole Reformed Church in the United States for ten years, 1886-1894.

	1886	1887	1888	1889	1890	1891	1892	1893	1894
Synods	7	8	8	8	8	8	8	8	8
Classes	52	55	55	56	56	55	54	55	56
Ministers	802	822	823	835	856	867	885	922	938
Congregations	1,481	1,512	1,535	1,554	1,536	1,573	1,583	1,591	1,646
Members	183,980	190,527	194,334	200,498	203,852	208,080	212,830	216,436	221,473
Members Unconfirmed	108,724	111,436	115,199	112,486	113,877	122,077	121,057	122,926	123,393
Baptisms	14,089	13,743	14,460	14,605	13,907	14,220	14,526	14,455	14,762
{ Infants	1,741	1,500	1,474	11,595	1,528	1,661	1,561	1,545	1,969
{ Adults	10,733	10,542	10,282	10,759	10,353	11,311	10,758	10,565	11,289
Additions	5,582	6,051	5,948	6,561	6,545	7,069	7,431	7,114	8,238
Communed	146,636	152,274	155,108	155,118	159,102	165,767	169,314	172,321	176,828
Dismissed	2,551	2,917	2,673	3,061	3,012	3,568	3,292	3,535	3,576
Excommunicated	38	38	46	55	64	32	26	31	19
Erased	2,381	2,760	2,763	3,117	3,163	3,624	3,975	3,891	4,499
Deaths	4,638	4,852	5,244	5,107	4,826	5,689	6,130	5,180	5,393
Sunday-schools	1,422	1,464	1,498	1,513	1,547	1,569	1,563	1,581	1,610
Officers and Teachers	.....	.....	.....	3,967	9,076	10,516	13,319	15,156	16,431
Sunday-school Scholars	122,695	129,713	136,283	138,616	141,403	148,564	149,0 3	153,884	162,230
Students for Ministry	186	207	250	285	301	291	285	284	291
Benevolent Purposes	140,122	147,297	171,250	161,078	205,145	208,376	236,322	219,919	257,949
Congregational Purposes	804,321	841,292	900,505	874,653	949,069	1,012,937	1,060,229	983,346	1,017,625

TABLE OF MOVABLE FESTIVALS.

YEAR.	NEW YEARS' DAY.	ASH WEDNESDAY.	EASTER.	PENTECOST.	TRINITY SUNDAY.	ADVENT.
1896	Wednesday . . .	February 19 . . .	April 5	May 25	25	November 29.
1897	Friday	March 3	April 18	June 6	23	November 28.
1898	Saturday	February 23	April 10	May 29	24	November 27.
1899	Sunday	February 13	April 2	May 21	26	December 2.
1900	Monday	February 28	April 15	June 2	24	December 3.
1901	Tuesday	February 20	April 7	May 27	25	.....
1902	Wednesday	February 12	March 30	May 18	26	.....
1903	Thursday	February 25	April 11	May 31	24	.....
1904	Friday	February 17	April 3	May 22	25	.....
1905	Sunday	March 8	April 23	June 11	23	.....
1906	Monday	February 28	April 15	June 3	24	.....
1907	Tuesday	February 13	March 31	May 19	26	.....
1908	Wednesday	March 4	April 19	June 7	23	.....
1909	Friday	February 24	April 11	May 3	24	.....
1910	Saturday	February 9	March 27	May 15	26	.....
1911	Sunday	March 1	April 16	May 4	24	.....
1912	Monday	February 21	April 7	May 26	25	.....

Home Missions.

To the Board of Home Missions of the General Synod of the Reformed Church are committed all the missionary interests in the home land.

The full Board is composed of the following persons: Revs. J. A. Peters, D. D., E. R. Eschbach, D. D., T. J. Barkley, D. D., S. B. Yockey, D. D., J. J. Leberman, D. D., J. Bachman, D. D., C. F. Kriete, J. H. Sechler, D. D., Elders C. M. Boush, Horace Ankeney, J. T. Reber, and H. C. Hoover.

The Executive Committee is composed of the following members: Rev. J. A. Peters, D. D., President; Rev. J. J. Leberman, D. D., Vice-president; Rev. J. T. Barkley, D. D., Secretary; Rev. S. B. Yockey, D. D., and Elder C. M. Boush, Treasurer of the Extension Fund.

Elder James T. Reber, Reading Pa., is Treasurer of the Board to whom all money for this cause should be sent.

The superintendents are: Rev. D. S. Fouse, D. D., Lisbon, Iowa, Rev. A. C. Whitmer, Lancaster, Pa., and Rev. D. B. Shuey, Emporia, Kansas.

The full Board meets annually in April and reviews the work of the entire year. The Executive Committee meets every quarter and attends to all such business as usually comes before the full Board, but the action of this committee is reviewed by the full Board at its annual meetings.

As the German Synods have not transferred their missions to this Board, it has under its control the English and Hungarian Missions, with the Harbor Mission at the port of New York.

Including the missions previously under the Board and those enrolled at the July meeting, the number reached one hundred during the year.

Of these six are Hungarians, but at this writing the missionaries for New York City and Mt. Carmel, Pa., have not arrived, but will soon be at the work assigned them. This work is making rapid progress.

The Board last year asked for \$40,000, for the English, \$3,000 for the Hungarian and \$1,000 for the Harbor Mission. The synods voted these amounts. There has been a lack of funds, however, as the church did not pay the apportionments promptly. These moneys are needed and should be paid promptly.

The Extension Department, of which Elder Boush is Treasurer, is exceedingly important. The extension work includes the purchase of lots and the erection of chapels. As our church is doing much more work than formerly in large towns and cities, this arm of the work is especially needed in order to help forward the general work.

Special funds of \$500 each have been given by classes and individuals. Eighteen of these funds have been received by the General Board. Other similar funds are now under way and will soon be completed.

Are there not many persons in the church who might be induced to give such funds? Pastors and elders should seek out such persons.

Probably no other department of the work of our church in this country is as important as the department of Home Missions. Upon the life, enterprise, and success of home missions depend the continued growth and prosperity of our church in all parts of the country. The missionary has been the conqueror and the civilizer of our land, and the march of civilization has been measured by the march of the missionary.

Though our church has been somewhat slow to open up new fields of labor, yet we are reaching out more every year, and planting the seed in many places, believing that God will give us the increase. It has not been many years since the territory now occupied by the Ohio Synod was altogether a field for the missionary operations of the church. But now we are pushing farther west and a few of our missions are found in the Pacific Coast states. One-sixth of our ministers are missionaries, and one-eighth of our congregations belong to mission fields.

The Home Mission work of our church is carried on by a General Board of Home Missions. For many years this work was carried on by Boards elected by different portions of the church. But it was soon seen that united work would be much more economical and efficient; and steps were taken looking toward the unification of our mission work. This was finally accomplished, and the General Synod at its last triennial meeting, held in Reading, Pa., elected the Board which has the oversight and care of the missions. This has been found to have been an advantageous move, and much good has resulted therefrom.

This Board carries on its work by means of

an Executive Committee, which holds quarterly meetings to consider matters of importance and to transact the regular business. In addition to this committee there are at present three superintendents: Rev. D. S. Fouse, D. D., being General Superintendent; Rev. D. B. Shuey, D. D., is located in the West, and Rev. A. C. Whitmer in the East. There is also a missionary appointed by the concurrence of the General Board of Home Missions and the General Synod's Sunday-school Board. He is called the Sunday-school missionary, his work being mainly to go into unoccupied fields and by gathering together a Sunday-school to form the nucleus of a congregation. Rev. J. C. Horning was appointed to this position in the spring of 1895. It is hoped that more such workers will be put into the field at an early day.

The mission work is by no means confined to the English portion of our church. There are many German missions enrolled. The reports show that out of the one hundred and thirty mission congregations, there are thirty-one German missions.

One of the most prosperous and fruitful parts of the work is that being done among the Hungarians, of whom there are a great many in this country. The Reformed Church was the first Protestant denomination to begin that work; and the results testify to its wisdom. Extensive and active work is being done at Cleveland, Ohio, Pittsburgh and Mt. Carmel, Pa., Trenton, N. J., New York City, Bridgeport and Hartford, Conn.; and one of the missionaries is working in Assinaboia. For this work missionaries are obtained from Hungary.

The church spent last year nearly \$44,000 in the Home Mission work. Much more could have been used, if the church had furnished it, for there are many large cities, as well as smaller ones, where we should plant missions without delay.

The result of our Home Mission work in the past shows that it amply justifies its cost. God's blessing has been given and may be expected still. More faith in His promises, more prayer for His favor, more men for His work, and more money to send them are the pressing needs. The doors are wide open. Christ's command, our country's need, the results of the past, and all our hopes as a church for future growth, demand the vigorous prosecution of Home Missions.

Foreign Missions.

The Board of Foreign Missions consists of the following members: Rev. Jas. I. Good, D. D., President; Rev. J. H. Prugh, D. D., Vice President; Rev. S. N. Callender, D. D., Secretary; Elder Jos. L. Lemberger, Treasurer. Revs. A. R. Bartholomew, J. S. Kiefer, D. D., J. Dahmann, D. D., Peter Greding, D. D., C. R. Dieffenbacher, D. D., Elders J. Y. Dietz, B. Kuhns and J. Z. Gerhard, M. D.

The Executive Committee consists of the four officers, together with Rev. A. R. Bartholomew and Elder J. Z. Gerhard, M. D.

The missionaries in the field are Revs. J. P. Moore, D. D., W. E. Hoy, D. B. Schneder, H. K. Miller, Sunday-school Missionary, S. S. Snyder, C. E. Missionary, and Misses Mary C. Hollowell and Lena Zurfluh. Mr. Christopher Noss, a late graduate of the Institutions at Lancaster, Pa., is under appointment, and is expected to enter the field in the fall of 1895.

The mission consists of one principal station, Sendai, Japan, twelve organized churches, of which five are self-supporting, and forty-one preaching stations. These last are mainly supplied by native evangelists. There are twenty-seven Sunday-schools with over 1,000 scholars. The contributions for all purposes for the year 1893-'94 were \$2,528.21.

There are connected with the missions in Sendai, two Christian schools. One for girls, which grades with our female seminaries in this country. It has from fifty-five to sixty scholars, most of whom are Christians either when they enter, or become such before completing their course. This school is conducted by the Misses Hollowell and Zurfluh, aided by several native Christian teachers. Five young ladies graduated at the last commencement. The male school comprises Theological, Collegiate and Preparatory Departments, which grade up to our home institutions. For the year ending May 31, 1895, there were 141 students. Of these twenty-five were in the theological seminary, and 116 in the college and preparatory. Of these last sixty-one were Christians, while most of the rest were pronounced seekers. Six graduated from the theological, and five from the collegiate departments at the last commencement. The former go forth as

evangelists, and most of the latter it is expected will enter the seminary.

The prime necessity of raising up a native ministry is becoming more and more apparent, and for this crucial interest, our facilities are in urgent need of enlargement. Not so much a greater teaching force, as additional buildings. We have but one building of medium size for seminary, college and preparatory.

All our missionaries take part in teaching in the institutions. Of the evangelistic work, Rev. Dr. Moore is the appointed principal, but all the others share in the work, as their school duties afford them time and opportunity.

The Board would most respectfully and urgently commend the restricted interests of our work to the enlarged consideration of the church.

Officers of Boards of General Synod.

1. Board of Home Missions.

Rev. John A. Peters, D. D., President, Tiffin, Ohio.

Rev. John J. Leberman, D. D., Vice President, Louisville, Ohio.

Rev. Thomas J. Barkley, D. D., Secretary, Gettysburg, Pa.

Elder James T. Reber, Treasurer, Reading, Pa.

2. Board of Foreign Missions.

Rev. James I. Good, D. D., President, Reading, Pa.

Rev. John H. Prugh, D. D., Vice President, Pittsburg, Pa.

Rev. Samuel N. Callender, D. D., Secretary, Mechanicsburg, Pa.

Elder Joseph L. Lemberger, Treasurer, Lebanon, Pa.

3. Board of Sunday-schools.

Rev. Conrad Clever, D. D., President, Baltimore, Md.

Rev. David B. Lady, D. D., Secretary, Curllsville, Pa.

Rev. John H. Bomberger, Treasurer, Columbiana, O.

4. Board of Directors of Orphan Homes.

Rev. Eli Keller, D. D., President, Zionsville, Pa.

Rev. Henry Mosser, D. D., Secretary, Reading, Pa.

Elder Christian G. Gross, Treasurer, 879 N. 41st St., Philadelphia, Pa.

5. Superintendents of Orphan Homes.

Rev. T. M. Yundt, Bethany Orphan Home, Womelsdorf, Pa.

Rev. P. C. Prugh, D. D., St. Paul Orphan Home, Butler, Pa.

Rev. J. Rettig, Ft. Wayne Orphan Home, Ft. Wayne, Ind.

Constitution of Woman's Missionary Society.

ARTICLE I.

This Society shall be called the "WOMAN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY" of—the Reformed Church of—.

ARTICLE II.

The object of this Society shall be to arouse the interest and unite the efforts of the women of the congregation in missionary work.

ARTICLE III.

The members of this Society shall consist of such women of the congregation as are willing to pay a monthly fee of not less than—[See Note.]

ARTICLE IV.

The officers of this Society shall be, President, Vice-president, Recording and Corresponding Secretaries and Treasurer; these officers, together with the pastor, shall constitute an Executive Committee.

ARTICLE V.

The President or Vice-president shall preside at all meetings of the Society.

The Recording Secretary shall keep a complete roll of the members of the Society and a careful record of its proceedings.

The Corresponding Secretary shall give notice of all meetings and have charge of the correspondence of the Society.

The Treasurer shall have charge of the finances of the Society, both as to receiving and disbursing, and shall make a monthly report of the same, and a complete annual report. She shall pay only such orders as are signed by the President.

It shall be the duty of the Executive Committee to prepare programs for meetings, and to devise ways and means of arousing interest and raising money. It shall communicate, through the Corresponding Secretary, with other missionary societies in order to exchange views and experiences and thus increase their knowledge and improve their methods of work.

ARTICLE VI.

The meetings shall be held the——of the month at——, and shall be opened and closed with devotional exercises.

ARTICLE VII.

The officers shall be elected annually by ballot.

ARTICLE VIII.

This Constitution can be amended at any regular meeting of the Society, by a vote of two-thirds of the members present, notice having been given at a previous meeting.

Note:—In some instances, as in the country, it may be necessary to have the membership include men, women and children.

In others, it may be better to have no specified fee, but each member be permitted to give according to the dictates of his conscience.

In all cases, each one should be encouraged to give "as the Lord has prospered him."

It is of course, understood, that this Constitution, as well as the one for Mission Bands, is given simply as a suggestive basis for missionary organizations. It is expected that each congregation will adapt them to its own needs.

Constitution for Mission Bands.

ARTICLE I.

This Society shall be called "THE MISSION BAND" of the Reformed Church of——.

ARTICLE II.

Its object shall be to interest and instruct the children in missionary work, and raise funds for the same.

ARTICLE III.

The membership of this Society shall consist of the children and youth of the congregation, and others who may be deemed worthy of membership.

ARTICLE IV.

The officers of this Band shall be President, Vice-president, Secretary and Treasurer. There shall also be a Visiting Committee, to be appointed monthly.

ARTICLE V.

The President or Vice-president shall preside at all meetings of the Society.

The Secretary shall keep a roll of the members and a careful record of the proceedings.

The Treasurer shall take charge of the funds and make a monthly report of the same.

The Treasurer shall disburse them according to the vote of the Society, and with the consent of the pastor.

The Visiting Committee shall visit all the children of the congregation and others, and invite them to become members. This committee shall also do the errands of the Society.

ARTICLE VI.

The meetings of the Band shall be held on the——of the month, at the church, unless otherwise designated, and shall be opened and closed with devotional exercises.

ARTICLE VII.

The election of officers shall take place semi-annually (or quarterly,) at one of the regular meetings of the Band.

ARTICLE VIII.

This Constitution can be amended at any regular meeting of the Society, by a two-thirds vote of the members present, provided notice has been given at a previous meeting.

ARTICLE IX.

This Band shall be under the control of one or more of the older members of the church, who shall be appointed by the consistory.

The Apostles' Creed.

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth: And in Jesus Christ, his only begotten Son, our Lord; Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary; Suffered under Pontius Pilate; was crucified, dead and buried; He descended into hell. The third day he rose from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; From thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the Holy Catholic Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

The Ten Commandments.

- I. Thou shalt have no other gods before me.
- II. Thou shalt not make unto thyself any graven image, nor the likeness of anything that is in heaven above, or in the earth beneath, or in the water under the earth. Thou shalt not bow down thyself to them, nor serve them; for I the Lord thy God am a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children, unto the third and fourth generation of them that hate me, and showing mercy unto thousands of them that love me and keep my commandments.
- III. Thou shalt not take the name of the Lord thy God in vain; for the Lord will not hold him guiltless that taketh his name in vain.
- IV. Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy six days shalt thou labor and do all thy work, but the seventh day is the Sabbath of the Lord thy God: in it thou shalt do no manner of work, thou nor thy son, nor thy daughter, thy man servant nor thy maid servant, nor thy cattle, nor the stranger that is within thy gates. For in six days the Lord made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that in them is, and rested the seventh day; wherefore the Lord blessed the Sabbath day, and hallowed it.
- V. Honor thy father and thy mother, that thy days may be long in the land which the Lord thy God giveth thee.
- VI. Thou shalt not kill.
- VII. Thou shalt not commit adultery.
- VIII. Thou shalt not steal.
- IX. Thou shalt not bear false witness against thy neighbor.
- X. Thou shalt not covet thy neighbor's house, thou shalt not covet thy neighbor's wife, nor his man servant, nor his maid servant, nor his ox, nor his ass, nor anything that is thy neighbor's.

The Lord's Prayer.

Our Father which art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Child's Evening Prayer.

Now I lay me down to sleep;
I pray the Lord my soul to keep.
If I should die before I wake,
I pray the Lord my soul to take:
And this I ask for Jesus' sake.—Amen.

Child's Prayer.

Lord look upon a little child,
By nature sinful, weak, and wild:
Oh, lay Thy gracious hands on me,
And make me all I ought to be.—Amen.

Childs' Morning Prayer.

Lord, I awake and see the light,
For thou hast kept me through the night;
To thee I lift my hands, and pray,
Keep me from sin throughout this day;
And if I die before 'tis done,
Save me through Jesus Christ Thy Son. . Amen.

Gentle Jesus.

Gentle Jesus, meek and mild,
Look upon a little child;
Pity my simplicity,
Suffer me to come to Thee.

Fain I would to Thee be brought
Gracious God, forbid it not;
In the kingdom of Thy grace
Give a little child a place.

Oh, supply my every want,
Feed the young and tender plant;
Day and night my keeper be,
Every moment watch round me.—Amen.

Evening Prayer.

Four corners round my bed,
Four Angels guard my head,
If any evil come to me,
Jesus Christ, deliver me.—Amen.

It is suggested that it is not really the great length, but the small depth and breadth, which sometimes makes a sermon of 60 minutes seem exceedingly long.

The Church Paper.

The Reformed Church from its early history in this country laid great stress upon family training, family education, home reading and religious improvements. The Bible, the catechism and the church paper have always been regarded the necessary handmaids to the growth of piety, religion and a higher education. When we carefully study the benefits flowing forth from these to the family we cannot help but implore the friends of the Reformed Church to rally with new and more determined strength to the hearty support of the church paper. This agency in the Christian home is of more value than investing your money in the "forbidden things of the world" and will yield a ten-fold greater blessing to the home. The best and most faithful members of the church always read the church paper. These are the ones upon whom the pastor can best rely. These are the tried and true who at all hazards will defend the pastor and the church, and these are the liberal supporters of the benevolent operations of the church.

Contented With Half.

How easy it is to make a bad use of a good thing! When the poor widow at the treasury of the temple cast in her two mites, our Lord spoke these memorable words of comforting approval: "She hath cast in more than they all; for all these have of their abundance cast in unto the offerings of God, but she of her penury hath cast in all the living that she had." How helpful and encouraging these words are to all who have only penury from which to give for the Lord's cause! And yet too often they are used, by those who have abundance, to cover up the poverty of their gifts.

"I must contribute my mite," said a wealthy man to an appeal for a contribution to help on the work of the Lord.

"Do you mean the mite which the widow in the temple gave?" asked the solicitor. "If so, I will be content with half of it. How much are you worth?"

"At least one hundred thousand dollars."

"The widow's mite, you know, was all that she had; give me your check for fifty thousand

dollars, which, by the widow's standard, is only one-half of your mite, and I will not ask for more."

We should never presume, directly or indirectly, to appropriate to ourselves the commendation of our Lord, unless the circumstances of our conduct fully justify it.—*Sabbath Recorder*.

Population of the World.

According to the most recent calculations and statistics, the population of the world is given at about 1,500 millions of people.

Of these there are in

Asia	858,000,000
Europe	381,200,000
America	133,670,000
Africa	127,000,000
Australia	4,730,000

Total..... 1,504,600,000

These millions of inhabitants are divided in regard to the principle religious confessions as follows:

Evangelical Christians.....	200,000,000
Roman Catholics.....	195,000,000
Greek Christians.....	105,000,000

Total..... 500,000,000

Jews	8,000,000
Mohammedans	180,000,000
Heathen	812,000,000

Not Christians 1,000,000,000

According to the foregoing statistics about one-third of the inhabitants of the earth are adherents of the Christian faith; and Protestantism numerically exceeds Roman Catholicism, and the leading nations, as England, the Netherlands, Germany and the United States of North America, are bearers of Evangelical Christianity.

SOLDIERS AND TAX-PAYERS.—It is said that during the most peaceful years the world has 3,700,000 soldiers, who are withdrawn from productive occupations to pose as soldiers. The pay, equipments, food and clothing of these men cost the world's tax-payers nearly \$8,000,000 a day.

Giving.

What will you give up, children
 For Jesus Christ's dear sake?
 What offering from your young lives
 Will each one gladly make?
 He gave up heaven, and came to you!
 Then what, for Him, can you not do?

What will you give up, children?
 Something you love quite well?
 Some pleasure, or some precious thing,
 Which none but you can tell?
 He gave His life that you might live!
 Then what, for Him, can you not give?

What will you give up, children?
 Yourself, and all your own?
 Just to belong to Jesus Christ,
 His children, His alone?
 He gave Himself, your Savior true,
 Now give yourselves—oh, will not you?
Jennie Harrison, in Christian Intelligencer.

Standard Weight of a Bushel.

The standard weight of a bushel established by law in the state of Ohio is as follows:

	lbs.
Wheat	60
Rye	56
Oats	32
Barley	48
Corn shelled	56
Corn unshelled	68
Hominy	60
Buckwheat	50
Clover-seed	60
Timothy-seed	45
Hungarian grass-seed	50
Millet-seed	50
Flax-seed	56
Hemp-seed	44
Beans	60
Peas	60
Irish potatoes	60
Sweet potatoes	50
Onions	50
Malt	34
Lime	70
Coke	40
Bituminous coal	80
Cannel coal	70
Tomatoes	56
Apples	48
Peaches	48
Dried apples	22
Dried peaches	33
Turnips	60

No man ever became great or good except through many and great mistakes.—*Gladstone.*

Pithy Paragraphs.

Never give a temptation a chance to get its second wind.

The devil can be a very moderate devil, when it pays him.

The more of Satan you box into a child's ears the more you will have to pray out.

If we at any time find our friends unkind to us, let us remember that Christ's were so to Him.

A church ought to be like a lumber-yard with all the cross-grained, crooked and knotty sticks culled out.

The man who sells goods with a short yardstick would steal the foundation stones of heaven, if he could get at them.

The man who is walking squarely in the footprints of Christ never looks round when the devil throws mud at his back.

It is no use for the father who keeps a rawhide hanging behind the bedroom door to tell his boy that God is his Father and loves him.

The father who does not put good reading matter into the hands of his children has never done any real praying for their salvation.

A preacher that asks the Lord to touch his lips with a coal of fire from the altar, can't answer the prayer by putting a lighted cigar there.

There is more misery in hell over one church member that backslideth than over ninety and nine hardened sinners that had nothing to backslide from.

Faith tells us what the senses do not tell us, but not the contrary of what they perceive to be true. It is above the senses, but not in opposition to them.

"If ye, being evil, know how to give good gifts unto your children, how much more shall your Father which is in heaven give good gifts to them that ask him.

Those who will get to heaven must fight their way thither. There must be a conflict with corruption and temptation and the opposition of the powers of darkness.

The word "come" is found in the Bible six hundred and seventy-eight times, and yet there are people who will tell you that God has never called them to repentance.

Surely the day when, perhaps, we have been fluent in worldly conversation, and yet have neglected our opportunities of speaking a word for our Master, must be a lost day.

Tears are but finite; 'tis but a while that we shall weep; after a few showers that fall from our eyes we shall have a perpetual sunshine. In heaven the battle of tears is stopped.

Sometimes a rich man's twenty-five dollar subscription to the preacher's salary is as good as a command not to preach against speculation, or oppressing employes, or running a brewery.

Some of the people who think the door of heaven ought to open wide enough to let in everybody are now among the most anxious that folks with the cholera shall be kept out of the country.

Some churches grind their preachers down to a starvation salary, which they pay in chips and whetstones, yet make a good deal of noise in singing, "More love to thee, O Christ, more love to thee."

If some one abuses you for belonging to church, you needn't set that down as persecution for Christ's sake. Maybe you deserve it. But when you are abused for doing a good deed, that is suffering for his name.

All the work of the Samaritan was the result of his first having compassion on the needy man. When the church learns to love the masses as Christ does, it will not have any trouble in finding a way to reach them.

It is a remark worth reflecting upon, that lost patience is never found again. One may be patient next time, but that is another thing. The word spoken comes not back; the impression once made cannot be wholly wiped out. What then? It pays to take pains as to patience and temper. "The tongue can no man tame." But God and man united can do it; and the joys for the conquest more than repay the labor.

A man is safe who will never let go his hold on the fact that the Bible, as respects its fundamental doctrines, is of divine origin; that regeneration and daily communion with God are essential to salvation; and that faith without works is not faith, but fancy. If on this foundation, never to be questioned nor undermined, he can allow his mind free action in every realm to the exploration of which human faculties are adequate.

Pleasantries.

Lady: "A gentleman called you say? Did he leave any name?" Parlor Maid: "Yes'm: I asked him his name, and he said it was 'Immaterial.'"

"What is a lake?" asked the teacher. A bright little Irish boy raised his hand. "Well, Mikey, What is it?" "Sure, it is a hole in the kittle, mum."

Snooks (reading about the French): "What a remarkable man Henri Rochefort is!" Snikes: "Yes; and think of the delicious cheese he makes!"

Hostess: "What has become of Sandy Smith, who stood so high in your class?" Alumnus: "Oh, he's taken orders." "He's in the ministry, then?" "No: in a restaurant."

A candid Opinion.—"Well, my dear child, how do you like Herr von Sauer Kroutman?" "Oh, mamma, he is very nice, and so clever! I did not understand a word he said."

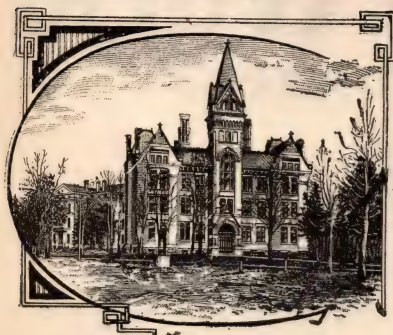
A Gentle Egotist.—The Brilliant Jones (who likes an appreciative audience) to his hostess: "Oh, there! It's no use! I give it up! Conversation's impossible when people will talk."

Warden: "We assign men here to work with which they are familiar. If you have any special line, you'd better say so, and we'll start you at once." Convict: "Thanks. I can't begin too soon: I am an aeronaut."

"I wonder," thought Frank, as he awakened in the country early in the morning, "whether that rooster tells the sun when to get up or the sun tells the rooster. I wish they'd both wait until I was ready."—*Harper's Young People*.

Stories of absent-mindedness are invariably amusing, but one that is being told of Professor Burdon Sanderson, the President of the British Association, requires a rather large grain of salt. On one occasion, it is said, while at Oxford, he asked a few friends to a bachelor dinner, and to their intense surprise, on their arrival, proceeded to offer them their overcoats, shake hands with them, and express a hope that they had enjoyed themselves. Then seeing their astonishment he remembered that they were arriving and not departing guests, and a hearty laugh put matters to rights.

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EDITORIAL NOTES.

God gives good gifts to men to be used; and if they are not used, they are withdrawn.

The pastors are requested to send in their reports of Easter gatherings as soon as possible after Easter. We trust all may have a precious Easter communion and a large addition to the church of such as shall be saved.

It looks very much as if we were going to have a pope in this country before many years. The fact that Sacelli was sent to the United States as Apostolic Delegate seems to point in that direction. Perhaps the shrewd Italian has an eye on that honorable position.

In many places our pastors are having marked success in their work. Some of these are places where old prejudices existed and where it is difficult to do anything till these are overcome. The pastor who can outlive old trouble and can get grace into the hearts is to be congratulated.

The Sunday-school literature for the second quarter has been sent out. We are glad the editors favored us so we could get out the work without being rubbed at the very last moment. We wish all our Sunday-schools a pleasant and profitable Easter, and may those that closed in the fall open again with the springing of the flowers.

There is some probability that Dr. Pierson, who is now supplying the pulpit of Spurgeon's church, will be immersed. It is said that remarks made by Dr. Pierson have given strength to the impression that he will before long take that step. It might be well for the good doctor to make certain first whether he will be elected permanent pastor.

A very important law of the spiritual life, which is a never-failing sign of spiritual growth, is what we might term the transfiguration of duty. What we mean is this: As we come more and more into harmony with God, duty ceases to be done because we must do it, and becomes a delight. We say with the Psalmist, "I delight to do thy will, O my God; yea thy law is within my heart."

When the pope bade farewell to the pilgrims from England he expressed the hope that that country would once more be Roman Catholic, and declared that there are already many signs of the transition.

In comparing his faith with Christianity, a Buddhist priest in Japan said, "The personality of Christ is the magnetic power of Christianity," and in this way he emphasized the peculiar strength of that religion which will one day be the religion of the world.

Already preparations are being made to keep the cholera from our shores, or from spreading if it is brought to our ports. It is wise to begin in time. That there will be an epidemic all over Europe seems inevitable, and it will require the greatest vigilance to keep it abroad. It would be well for our people to heed sanitary regulations, keeping body and surroundings clean.

How truly wonderful is the religion which Christ came to reveal. It is such that the business man can take it with him during business hours, and feel its power; the workman can take it into the workshop, and find it restraining passion and controlling temper; the mother will find in it a soothing balm amid all the worry and trials of domestic duties, and the young will find it lightening every duty, sweetening every enjoyment, sanctifying every pleasure, and gilding life with glory and joy beauty.

That was a noble sentiment uttered by Esther, when she made up her mind to go before the king in the hope of saving her nation and people from destruction: "If I perish, I perish." She was willing to risk her life for the safety of her people. Who among us is ready to make such a sacrifice for the safety of our nation. We are threatened on every hand by avowed enemies of the cross. We have those who would utterly destroy our homes and our all if they could carry out their schemes. Who will come forward to intercede before the King eternal for those we love?

One is surprised sometimes in journeying through the orient at the length of the tomb. In northern Syria is the tomb of Noah which is 120 feet in length. The builders believed that the antediluvians were extremely great in stature. The tomb of our first mother, Eve, is, according to the Arabs, located at Jiddah, the resort of Mecca, and every seven years thousands

of devote Ishmaelites make a pilgrimage thither. The temple which marks the supposed burial place has a roof of solid rock, and from this stone roof grows a palm. The Arabian tradition, agreeing with the conclusions of a member of the French Academy of Sciences, claims that Eve and Adam were over 200 feet high, and the tomb is built on that supposition. Once each year, according to the tradition, on the third of June, the anniversary of the death of Abel, the doors of the temple resist all efforts of the keepers to close them, and terrible cries of anguish issue from the tomb.

It is a high privilege which the Christian enjoys in being kept by his kind heavenly Father, kept in the hour of temptation and from falling, and in his strength they keep themselves unspotted from the world. One subject engrosses their attention. It is "Jesus only." In their retirement he fills their thoughts. Among their friends he has so filled them with his fulness that the world and wickedness are wholly shut out. They think of Christ. They talk of Christ and his salvation. Their hearts overflow with love for their fellowmen, and an intense longing for their salvation. Under the full tide of his blessed experience they marvel that all men are not like themselves. They only keep themselves unspotted from the world. Formerly it was a constant struggle, with repeated failures; now sin has no power over them. They pass through the corruption of social life as the sunbeams pass through the mountain mist, unharmed and without losing any of their warmth, and purity and brightness. They carry the brightness of heaven in their faces, and, if circumstances constrain them to weep with those who weep, there will be gleams of sunshine even in their tears.

Like seedtime, broken in the fall, though harvest waits, till a suitable season.

Evangelists, like other mortals, have their failings, and their faults are pardoned before the public in a most open and sometimes ungenious manner. They are beset with perils because of the great esteem in which they are held by a certain class. An English paper in discussing the dangers of the evangelist says: "It is hard to mention it without seeming offensive, but one of the perils most incident to the special work of the evangelist is vanity. Taking ministers as a class, poverty and death are probably the sins that most easily beset them; but the evangelist, especially if he is of

any distinction, is tempted almost beyond man's strength. His coming to a town is elaborately arranged, there is a joint invitation from all the most earnest workers in the locality; there are special prayer meetings for the success of his mission; the ministers sit at his feet, and sometimes get a word from the height, not in a dream, but in sober reality the sun and the moon and the eleven stars make obeisance to him. No wonder he sometimes loses his sense of proportion, and forgets that a religious coterie is not the Church, still less the kingdom of God. No wonder he, sometimes talks about himself, and in spite of prayers and stirrings becomes a too self-conscious man."

The Rev. E. P. Hammond, who has been in the field as evangelist for thirty years is still at it, though he has lost some of the agility of former years. He has been most successful among the children, and has been the humble instrument in God's hands to bring multitudes of the little ones into the kingdom. The work has extended to both sides of the sea. He is now engaged in his special work in Chicago. Of his work in England he says: "My greatest work abroad was in London, where in 1866 I conducted meetings for seven months. During that time the conversions averaged about 500 a week. There was no opposition to my children's meetings until I went to Mr. Spurgeon's Tabernacle, and then there came an outbreak. For at that time Mr. Spurgeon was the target for all the slurs and slings and arrows of the gossip-baiting world, and was deeply distrusted and disliked by many church people. When the great preacher asked me to come to the Tabernacle, I said, 'No, I cannot fill your church. You are the only man who can.' He replied, 'Leave that to me, but come.' The time was appointed, and for a week previous men could be seen on all the principal streets of London with great placards on their backs announcing the meeting. Daily nations also appeared in the papers. When the afternoon came, 8,000 children crowded into the Tabernacle, and 1,000 more packed the street outside. I never saw such a meeting. The attending was not to be forgotten by those who were there. It was understood at the time that 1,000 children professed conversion. On a visit years afterward I found many of them workers in the church. The 'Special Mission' work grew out of these London meetings."

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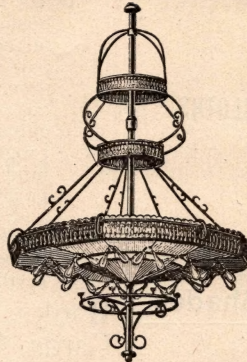
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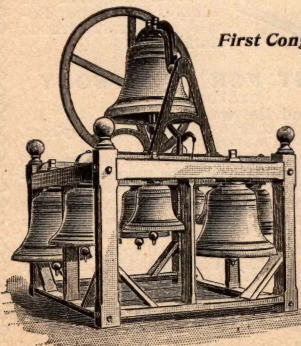
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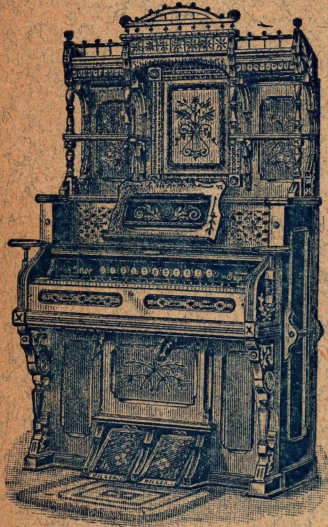
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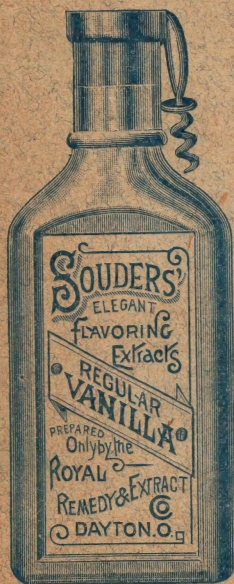
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